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Councillor Zarczynski is currently steering the project along with fellow town councillors Jackie Wadsworth, Roy Coombs and Henry Brown, and the TRIP community transport association has also expressed an interest in becoming involved.

But others are being urged to show their support by attending a meeting at the Beehive next week, where the various parties involved will agree on the next steps.

Councillor Wadsworth said: "This is not a town council project, it is a community-led project and we want the community to be involved from day one.

"The more people that voice their interest now, the better chance this stands of succeeding. Hopefully we will get the response we are looking for so we can press ahead."

Shocked residents fought to overturn the decision to close the centre when the county council announced its plans almost a year ago.

But a petition containing more than a 1,000 signatures was not enough to change the minds of bosses at County Hall.

Now community leaders, with the help of Honiton's county council representatives, are seeking alternative means to retain St Michael's for the use of local people.

"With all the cuts that we have had and all the cuts that are to come, we need to get our priorities right – and the vulnerable must come first," Councillor Zarczynski added.

"St Michael's is vital, not only to the people who use it, but to the carers, the unsung heroes that we do not often hear about. Sometimes the only respite they get is when they take their loved ones in and they can

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■ OTTER Brewery raised more than £3,000 for the Poppy Appeal with their special 'Poppy Otter' ale. The brewery's Patrick McCaig is pictured presenting a cheque to the Royal British Legion's Ralph Howard–Williams, following the success of the campaign *See page 4 for the full story*

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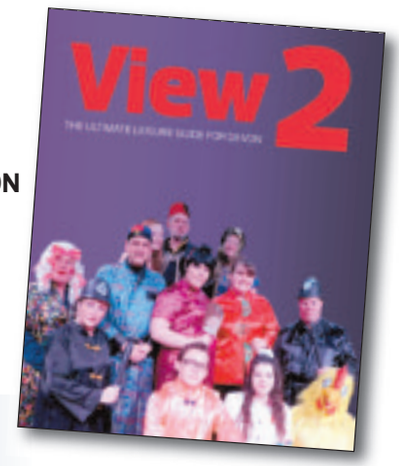

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Winter Olympics hope

◆ Marcus Wyatt takes to the bobsleigh

EAST Devon student Marcus Wyatt is one of eight sportspeople selected by the 'Power2Podium' talent search to train for the Great Britain Skeleton Bobsleigh team. Marcus (23), currently at Swansea University, has begun his training in Austria and will move on to other winter sport centres with the ultimate aim of competing at the 2022 Winter Olympic Games.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

AXMINSTER: 13-year-old Annabel Davies will perform a song she has co-written at the Grand Final of Open Mic UK in Birmingham

HONITON: Town mayor Peter Halse has praised the 'incredible' efforts of his fellow townsfolk who have raised more than £250,000 for the local charity Hospiscare

AXMINSTER: Nurse Sandi Nicholls seeks sponsors for her 350km, 5-day Indian cycling challenge for a charity that supports women's and babies' health

BEER: After seven years 'at the helm' Audrey Tims is retiring as sales manager of the east beach's summer season-opening RNLI shop

Quotes of the week...

"We virtually waste our time sometimes, discussing applications when they (the town council's opinions) are ignored."
Axminster town councillor Bryan Wheeler, after East Devon District Council approved a kiosk in the Tesco car park despite the local planning committee's opposition

"Our staff are not being well looked after... There is a lot of suffering happening right now."
Former Axminster GP Dr James Vann, at a meeting between representatives from East Devon towns likely to be affected by in-patient cuts and members of the Clinical Commissioning Group

"If holiday home owners got them and didn't use them it would kill the area."
Councillor Geoff Pook, on the review of future ownership and management of Beer and Seaton beach huts

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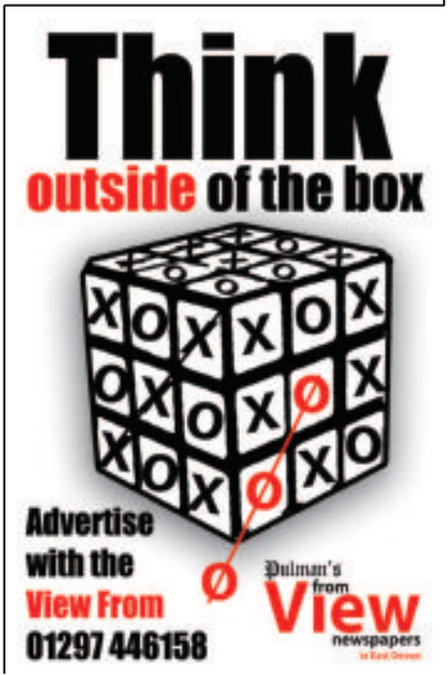

TOP STORIES FROM ALL THE OTHER EAST DEVON TOWNS

AXMINSTER

No money available for Webster's

AFTER winning the planning battle to demolish Webster's Garage, an eyesore that had blighted Axminster town centre for 30 years, site owner Hallmark Estates (Devon) Limited says it has no money to develop the site, it was revealed at a meeting of Axminster Town Council.

Permission to turn the site into a car park for up to five years, until a long-term solution can be found, was given in spring last year after a protracted planning battle.

Initially, it was hoped the car park would be operational before the end of last year. Last November Hallmark Estates applied to EDDC for an enabling grant.

A precise sum was not given, but Hallmark Estates owner Neil Hiscocks said it involved "tens of thousands of pounds".

The grant was refused, and the company is now pinning its hopes on what is described as 'an enabling loan' from East Devon District Council.

Members of the public sought a progress report when Axminster Town Council met last week.

Andrew Moulding, in his capacity as a district councillor, explained that Hallmark Estates and EDDC are working together, but the company has no money to take the project forward.

He added that the company has had no success with private investors, and that it is unwilling to take the project forward as a joint venture with EDDC.

Councillor Moulding also confirmed that an application had been made, but said that EDDC can't be seen to provide money for a private enterprise.

Mr Hiscocks has since issued a statement, saying: "Andrew is correct in that we don't at the moment have access to the resources to demolish Websters.

"We are a small company with limited income, and traditional lenders are not a source open to us."

From the editor's chair

The cost of three nurses?

WHEN I heard that the NHS Trust, so determined to close hospital beds in Axminster come what may, had gone back to the High Court to achieve that goal, the first thing I did was to instruct reporter Anders Larsson to ask how much the legal proceedings were costing.

We half expected the Northern Devon Healthcare Trust to come back saying that this was sensitive information they could not release. Had that been the case, we would have used the Freedom of Information Act to find out how much they were spending on seeing through their plan to close in-patient beds in Axminster and move them to Seaton.

We were surprised therefore to get a prompt answer from chief executive Dr Alison Diamond confirming that they had allocated "precious NHS" resources – her words, not mine – to "defend themselves in cases like this" amounting to £75,000 to legally enable them to "maintain a safe service for patients".

Defend themselves from what?

We are talking about the temporary closure here for the winter months, not the long term plan to shut the beds to save £500,000 and put a question mark over the future of Axminster Hospital. That decision will not be made until the extended period of consultation expires in February. There is great suspicion in and around Axminster that that decision has been made.

So the NHS is expecting to spend £75,000 on justifying their temporary closure. I don't know how much a nurse earns these days – but seventy five grand would probably cover the cost of three nurses, certainly one supervisor.

Has the world gone crazy?

Every day we read that the NHS is virtually bankrupt, haemorrhaging money, and here we are spending £75,000 on legal advice on a temporary closure when Axminster League of Friends have offered £300,000 to keep the beds open. We all accept these are difficult days for the NHS and no one doubts the sincerity of health officials to do what is best for patients.

But spending £75k on legal advice is a bitter pill to swallow in such circumstances.

Philip Evans

COLYFORD

Traffic issues not treated same way

PARISH councillors have complained that Colyford is not being treated the same as nearby village Sidford with regards to traffic calming measures on the same road that runs through both communities.

It was reported at last week's Colyton Parish Council meeting that traffic calming measures along the A3052 in Colyford, such as a 20mph speed limit, were unlikely to be introduced because it was a main road. However, members argued that the same road through Sidford, just eight miles west, had a 20mph speed limit.

Councillors recently started looking into traffic problems through Colyford after mayor of the village and parish councillor, Howard West, said that he thought people parking on a verge outside the post office and butchers was a safety hazard, as it affected the view of drivers exiting onto the A3052 from Seaton Road.

However, following a site meeting at the post office and butchers, councillors agreed that the main concern was drivers speeding down the A3052, which currently has a 30mph limit, and it was not worth preventing parking on the verge, which could be detrimental to the businesses.

Instead, members suggested that some kind of traffic calming measure should be introduced, with ideas including an electronic flashing speed limit sign or a reduced speed limit of 20mph.

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SEATON

Beach huts future under review

A REVIEW into the ownership and management of East Devon District Council beach huts in Seaton and Beer is under way.

Among other proposals being considered are site fees in Beer being brought into line with other open market rents.

In Seaton, the town council is interested in buying the sites it currently rents from EDDC.

EDDC's Cabinet has recommended that an extensive refurbishment and replacement programme be put in place to improve provision of its beach huts and chalets.

The programme also covers beach huts in Sidmouth, Exmouth and Budleigh Salterton.

It has been proposed to allocate £19,000 towards new beach hut schemes and the replacing of older huts.

Any changes would become effective in 2016, and an EDDC spokesperson said: "The current management of all the sites, in addition to the buildings, will be included within the council's rolling condition survey programme.

"However, all tenants will be responsible for their own National non-domestic rates (NNDR)

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Brewery serves up a record donation

MORE than £3,000 has been raised for the Royal British Legion, after the Otter Brewery celebrated its most successful Poppy Appeal campaign.

The Luppitt-based brewery, famed across the South West for its range of cask ales, passed on some of the profits from its unique 'Poppy Otter' pint, crafted especially for the appeal.

For every pint poured in pubs across Devon, Dorset and Somerset, the brewery pledged to donate five pence straight to the Legion.

And extra cash raised from the brewery's collection box was added to the sum, taking the total past £3,000 for the first time.

"We have now proudly supported this charity for the last six years and have a very close personal affinity with the values they have," said the brewery's Patrick McCaig.

"A big thank you once again to all our drinkers, and the boys and girls at Otter, who did their bit in helping us to help the Poppy Appeal carry on its great work."

The brewery, which celebrates its 25th anniversary this year, employs a team of 35 people, supplying more than 500 outlets across the West Country.

And staff were stunned by the "outstanding success" of the specialist ale, which sold strongly in the region's pubs throughout November and December.

Mr McCaig presented a cheque to the Legion's Devon county branch chairman Ralph Howard-Williams, who was accompanied by the organisation's community fundraiser Carol Arnold on a visit to the brewery last week.

She said: "Otter already do a lot of fundraising for other charities and communities that they care about, but they seem to have pulled out all the stops for us this time. The amount raised is way up on previous years – it's terrific.

"We can do something really significant with this donation and look forward to developing our continued association with them in the future."

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Town is buzzing, says mayor

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MAYOR of Honiton Peter Halse has hailed the community's "incredible achievement" in raising hundreds of thousands of pounds towards Hospiscare's recent appeal.

He said he had been amazed by the efforts of the project's supporters, who have contributed to a fundraising total in excess of £250,000.

Charity bosses are expected to receive the keys to the new day hospice in the next few weeks, and once inside they will be able to complete the furnishing of the facility with a view to opening later in the year.

The £1.2million project, which will serve the entirety of East Devon, was supported by a £510,000 grant from NHS England, alongside other funding pledges.

■ MAYOR of Honiton Peter Halse says the town is 'buzzing' following the completion of Hospiscare's day hospice appeal

But the charity was still tasked with generating another £250,000 to fit out the new facility and launched an ambitious appeal in February last year.

Following an unprecedented response from the community, the target was met shortly before Christmas – within just 11 months.

"I do not want to disparage Honiton but it is not a town with lots and lots of wealthy people – it requires a lot of people to contribute to raise this amount of money," Councillor Halse said.

"To achieve this in such a short time was quite amazing, and those people who continue to volunteer within the hospice will be a great blessing and help to this town."

Announcing the news last month, Hospiscare's Sarah Smith said the people of East Devon had "taken the appeal to their hearts".

The money raised will help the charity fulfil its promise to "bring care closer to the people of East Devon", she said.

Speaking last week, Councillor Halse said the success of the Hospiscare appeal was one of series of positive community-led projects accomplished in Honiton over the last year.

He listed the Beehive, the Thelma Hulbert Gallery and the proposed relocation of East Devon District Council's headquarters to Honiton among the town's flagship achievements.

"There are an awful lot of good things happening here and the town is buzzing," he said.

"When councils find themselves short of money it brings us back to voluntary work and fundraising. But our town is large enough and enthusiastic enough to carry things like this off, as it has already done."

Neighbourhood Plan drop-in

HONITON Town Council's Neighbourhood Plan working group will be holding a drop-in session at the Beehive this week.

Anyone interested in making a contribution to the project at this stage is encouraged to visit the town council offices on Friday (January 23rd) between 10am and 1pm.

This is only the initial stage of an extensive consultation process, during which there will be lots of opportunities for residents to have their say on the plan.

Hope for day centre

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have that day off once or twice a week. It would be an absolute travesty to lose it."

"We have a duty and our priority is to the needy and the vulnerable. We will do everything we can to save St Michael's."

Interested groups and individuals are invited to a meeting at the Beehive cafe on Monday (January 26th), between 10am and 10:30am.

Those interested in becoming involved as volunteers or fundraisers can contact Councillor Zarczynski on 01404 758179 or Councillor Wadsworth on 01404 43935, or email jacbar007@btinternet.com

'Become a councillor' roadshows

RETURNING OFFICER ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO STAND FOR ELECTION

WITH local elections in East Devon taking place on May 7th (coinciding with the General Election), Returning Officer Mark Williams will shortly be embarking on a tour of the district to explain the procedures for standing as candidates for towns, parishes or the district council.

The events will take place in Axminster, Cranbrook, Exmouth and Honiton.

The roadshows are a repeat of an initiative Mark has undertaken every four years in the run-up to local elections to make people aware that they could play an active part in local democracy either representing their town or parish or one of the 32 wards on East Devon District Council.

The aim is to inform people about the need for new councillors to come forward, the process that is followed and the timetable for nominations.

He said: "If you care about the area that you live or work in and the issues facing local people, you could be a councillor.

"Perhaps you enjoy reading the local newspaper and often have a strong opinion on the issues you read about.

"You may enjoy talking to friends and colleagues about what's going on in the area. You may feel that certain sections of the community or people who live in a particular neighbourhood are getting a raw deal and need stronger representation.

"Research tells us that people are most concerned about issues such as crime, schools, transport and the environment.

"Your local council can make a difference on all these issues and many more, and so can you as a local councillor."

Make a difference

According to the Electoral Commission, there are many reasons why people decide to become a local councillor.

These include:

- Wanting to make a difference and be involved in shaping the future of the local community;
- Being concerned about their local area and wanting to ensure that the community gets the right services;
- Wanting to represent the views of local people and ensure that community interests are taken into account;
- Wanting to pursue their political beliefs;
- Wanting to contribute their business or professional skills;
- Concerns about one particular issue;
- As an extension of what they are already doing through a political party, trade union, charity, voluntary group or school governing body – becoming a councillor can be the next step.

The Electoral Commission says that groups made up of diverse individuals tend to make better informed decisions.

It's important that councils have councillors who not only reflect and represent the communities they serve, but also have a broad range of skills and life experience.

You don't have to be highly educated or have a profession. Skills gained through raising a family, caring for a sick or disabled relative, volunteering or being active in faith or community groups can be just as valuable.

Support and training

Don't worry if you don't feel that you currently have the skills or confidence to be a councillor. All councils provide support, information and training for new councillors.

Local sessions where Mark Williams will be talking about the role of local councillors take place on the following dates and at these venues:

- **Cranbrook –** Thursday, January 29th from 5:30-7pm at Cranbrook Market, Younghayes Centre, Younghayes Road, Cranbrook, EX5 3BA;
- **Honiton –** Monday, February 2nd from6:30-7:30pm at The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton, EX14 1LZ;
- **Axminster –** Thursday, February 12th from 6:30-7:30pm at the Senior Citizens' Centre, Old Courthouse, Church Street, Axminster, Devon, EX3 5AQ.

With the General Election taking place this year on the same date, it's also vital that as many people as possible use their right to vote by ensuring their name is on the Electoral Register.

The Electoral Commission is running a national campaign to encourage people to sign up through the new Individual Elector Registration (IER) system, with the message: 'Your vote matters; make sure you're in'.

National Voter Registration Day and Overseas Voter Registration Day is on Thursday, February 5th.

It's Honiton's discovery day

HONITON Together Discovery Day will bring together local organisations, social entrepreneurs and charities.

The event will be held in The Beehive on Thursday January 22nd from 1pm-4pm and will offer an opportunity to network.

Topics under discussion will include: The Local Economy (What is it for? How can it work for local people?); A Healthy Honiton (What would it look like? How can we get there?); The Neighbourhood Development Plan (a vision of Honiton's future); Funding (Big Lottery, Heritage Lottery, funding strategy support); Honiton Together (how can we take it forward?).

Anyone attending will also be able to pitch for a share of £5,000 for a project benefitting the local community. The Honiton Together project is supported by East Devon District Council (EDDC) and has been set up with Our Place funding, which comes from Central Government's Locality budget.

The development phase has also been supported by Honiton Town Council, East Devon Volunteer Support Agency, Devon County Council and Honiton Worx.

An EDDC spokesperson said: "Whoever said 'it's not a problem, but an opportunity' might have been talking about Honiton's reaction to the challenges the community faces as a result of budget cuts in the public sector and local services being under threat.

"There is a chance to find out more during Honiton Together Discovery Day, and there are still places available for stallholders.

"Among the features of the discovery day is a live 'Dragon's Den' session, where a share of £5,000 is up for grabs for suitable projects. You will have a chance to pitch for a share of the funding in a live session, with an audience vote.

"Help in designing your pitch will be given on the day and decisions in principle will be made before the event closes. Slots for bidding are limited and filling up fast

"So, if you still haven't already booked your place or your stall, please email agibson@eastdevon.gov.uk."

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'Dragon's teeth' staying put

THE white parking bay lines in Lace Walk car park will be repainted in April, council bosses have confirmed – but the controversial 'dragon's teeth' will remain in place.

Numerous complaints had been made to town councillors that the lines had become difficult to make out, but arrangements have been made for the bays to be remarked.

Further anger remains, however, over the so-called 'dragon's teeth' – a design feature that aims to direct traffic safely around the car park.

District councillor Phil Twiss said he recognised that the design was an "absolute pain" for drivers, but that officers had insisted on keeping the feature based on the results of a thorough risk assessment procedure.

Councillor Twiss said he had also looked into the possibility of implementing a walkway to improve safety for pedestrians, but that it was deemed more dangerous than the existing situation.

Honiton panto next month

THIS year's Honiton panto will be a Ben Crocker adaptation of the classic story of 'Sleeping Beauty'.

Society member Ben Pickerell said: "There is loads of laughter, audience participation, oodles of colourful costumes, fabulous songs from the likes of Tangled and Frozen and, of course, all your favourite pantomime characters. This year, for the very first time, the pantomime will be performed at Honiton Beehive."

Performances take place from Tuesday, February 17th to Saturday, February 21st and ticket prices are £8 for adults and £6 for those under the age of 17. They can be purchased from the Beehive in person or online from www.beehivehoniton.co.uk

Legion appeal to keep branch alive

by Jack Dixon
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MEMBERS of the Royal British Legion fear the organisation's Honiton branch will be forced to close, unless volunteers come forward to show their support this year.

Despite the continued efforts of local representatives, the branch is in danger of following others into closure due to its shrinking membership.

Branch members say they have enjoyed a positive year, with a team of 10 helping to raise more than £12,000 during the Legion's traditional Poppy Appeal.

But they have warned that the committee will not be able to continue its good work in the community without the support of volunteers in 2015.

"A small group of people, about ten with the help of one or two others, managed to raise £12,250, and heartfelt thanks go to the people of Honiton and the surrounding villages, the college and local organisations for their generosity," said branch president Chris Sinden.

"However, the committee grows smaller year by year because of age and ill health. If we are not to go the way of many branches in Devon, we need volunteers to help with our work."

One of the town's most treasured organisations, the Legion still has a major presence in the community and played a key role in Honiton's First World War commemorations last year.

A candlelit vigil outside the town's memorial in August marked a century since war was declared, and Legion members ran a display of uniform and medals to remember the fallen.

The branch also led the commemorations during a poignant Remembrance Sunday service in November, where Mr Sinden himself read the Kohima epitaph to an assembled audience.

Alongside their traditional responsibilities organising the Poppy Appeal and Remembrance services, branch members also promote the Legion at Honiton's annual Charter Day and Armed Forces Day events. And following the closure of other branches in the area, the work of members in Honiton now goes a long way, with welfare case workers supporting ex-servicemen everywhere from Tiverton to Axminster through all kinds of hardship.

The Legion is particularly in need of a volunteer to head up this year's Poppy Appeal in the autumn, as well as extra helpers to man its Saturday stalls during the summer.

And Mr Sinden said it would be a sad day for Honiton if it was to lose one of its major institutions so soon after the landmark commemorations attended by hundreds of local people last year.

"Should the branch close, all these things will be lost to the town of Honiton, which was once a proud garrison town," he said.

"As little as four or five hours a month is all that is needed to ensure that the branch survives and thrives in the future."

Anyone willing to offer their time to support the Legion in any capacity can contact Chris Sinden on 01404 44474 or attend one of the branch's monthly meetings, held on the second Monday of each month at the Methodist Chapel at 7:30pm.

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First steps towards 'dementia friendly' town

by Jack Dixon
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A PROJECT to dramatically improve the lives of people in Honiton suffering from dementia and Alzheimer's has taken a major step forward.

A committee of individuals has now been formed to steer the scheme, which aims to make Honiton a 'dementia friendly' town.

Over several stages of the long-term project, volunteers hope to spread key messages about the best ways to support those who suffer with memory-related illnesses.

The overarching aim is to create a 'dementia action alliance', made up of as many of Honiton's businesses, organisations and community groups, in the hope of gradually building a network of individuals who are trained to tackle dementia issues arising in day-to-day life.

Project leaders believe that a 'dementia friendly society' will look after some of its most vulnerable members, by helping those suffering from the illness to carry on with their normal lives – visiting the shops or using public transport safely, for example.

The new committee, to be chaired by dementia champion Heather Penwarden, will steer the scheme over the coming months.

"The shops, businesses and organisations in Honiton are already known to be welcoming and friendly places," said Mrs Penwarden.

"So we believe that Honiton would be an ideal community to join the growing number of towns that go out of their way to be especially friendly towards people with memory loss and dementia."

She added: "This steering group wants to help those businesses and organisations to understand people with memory loss and dementia, so that they will remain as confident as possible to continue using the town's facilities."

A number of bodies are already playing their part in working towards the formation of a dementia action alliance, with staff at the Thelma Hulbert Gallery and Honiton Surgery on board.

Sixth-formers at Honiton Community College have also pledged their support for the scheme, alongside the Awliscombe WI, TRIP community transport association and Allhallows Museum.

Other groups who are interested in joining the alliance can contact Mrs Penwarden on 07966 135442 or email penwarden@btinternet.com

Police report reveals two reports of rape

TWO sexual offences, both confirmed as cases of rape, were included in a total of 48 crimes recorded by police over the Christmas period.

Reporting to town councillors last week, PCSO Dave Keeler said both offenders had been prosecuted following police investigations.

Other crimes recorded between December 9th and January 12th included 15 cases of criminal damage, 13 thefts, four assaults and six public order offences, ranging from personal threats to drink-related issues.

Three burglaries, one theft from a vehicle, one case of fraud, one breach of an anti-social behaviour order and one offence under the communications act were also recorded last month.

PCSO Keeler said the neighbourhood police team had been pleased to record only one drink-driving offence, following a campaign to clamp down on the problem this year.

He also told councillors that officers had overseen a particularly quiet New Year's Eve in the town, with very few incidents to report.

The total of 48 crimes amounts to a slight increase on the number recorded last Christmas (39), but is substantially lower than 2012 when police recorded 82 crimes.

RNLI shop manager retires

STEPPING DOWN | Audrey Tims is retiring as the RNLI shop manager in Beer

AUDREY Tims is retiring as sales manager of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution shop in Beer, ***writes KEVIN FAHEY.***

After seven years in charge Audrey, who lives in Beer, decided it was time to take a break due to on-going health issues.

But she leaves the shop, which overlooks the east beach, in a far healthier state than when she took it over with the team of 17 volunteers raising turnover impressively.

"When I started the shop made £20,000 but last year that had risen to £32,000," said Mrs Tims.

"It is all down to the staff and it would not work without them."

Traditionally the shop opens the week before Good Friday and then stays open all summer and into the autumn before the shutters are brought down on the last Sunday in October when the clocks go back.

"Unless it is raining – and it has to be heavy - we are open every day seven days a week!" added Mrs Tims.

"The job has taken up a lot of my time and energy and while I am stepping down I hope to stay on the committee (of the Seaton, Beer & District Branch) but I will no longer be in the hut."

Branch secretary Wendy Cummins paid tribute to Tims' work in the hut which was launched in 1980.

"Audrey has done a marvellous job and will be greatly missed by everyone who works there," said Mrs Cummins. Hopefully someone will come forward to fill this vital role."

Anyone interested in joining the team of volunteers running the shop should contact Mrs Cummins on 01297 23040.

Beer news in brief

OVER the past 12 months Beer has just enjoyed the lowest crime rate since modern records were first kept.

A total of 24 crimes were committed in Beer during 2014, which was a significant reduction on the 44 the previous year – not to mention the total of 50 crimes recorded in 2004.

The annual report also confirmed that two suspects from Exeter have been charged for the two residential burglaries in Park Road during April while a 21-year-old Exeter man has been summonsed for the three burglaries to huts on Beer beach in May.

Four months during the year were completely crime free while the busiest month was in September with five incidents. In 13 of the crimes police identified suspects.

THE East Devon Artists for Charity has confirmed it will be staging its annual Branscombe Art Exhibition this year.

The popular event will be held as usual in the Branoc Hall, Branscombe, from Friday, April 3rd to 6th, from 10am to 5pm, with a preview session, including hot cross buns and coffee, from 10am to 12noon on Friday 3rd.

For further details contact Gary Rivers on 01297 680477 or by email at garyrivers@btinternet.com

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BRYAN Groves will be leading a talk and discussion on metal detecting entitled 'History under our feet' at the Mariners Hall, Beer, this Thursday (January 22d) starting at 7.30pm

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THE Seaton Beer & District Association of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution will be holding its annual general meeting in the function room of the Dolphin Hotel on Tuesday, March 3rd from 7:30pm.

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A REMINDER that the Beer Film Society will be showing the award-winning comedy drama 'Pride' at Steamers Restaurant next Monday (January 26th) and tickets will be on sale on the night costing £5.

For further details see the website at www.beerfilmsociety.org.uk

Nurse tackles Indian bike challenge

A NURSE from Axmouth has responded to an appeal by leading infertility expert Professor Robert Winston.

Sandi Nicholls, 51, will take on a tough, women-only, cycling challenge taking place in Kerala, India.

The idea is to raise money for Genesis Research Trust, which works to improve the health of women and babies.

Sandi, who works at Springmead Surgery in Chard, needs to raise a minimum of £3,100 and is asking local people, businesses and companies to help her reach that target.

Sandi, who herself underwent open heart surgery three years ago, will join a group of other women in October to cycle approximately 350 kilometres over 5 days.

Training is already well underway, so you may see her cycling around the lanes of East Devon along with her friends and team mates Noelle Adler and Jules Castleden.

She said: "The money raised will help fund ground-breaking medical research into conditions affecting women and babies, in particular the causes of miscarriage, still birth, premature birth, ovarian cancer, infertility and genetic diseases."

Professor Robert Winston, the chairman of Genesis Research Trust, explained: "With nearly 250 babies dying in the UK every week from complications during pregnancy, our work has never been so essential for women and babies nationwide."

Sandi plans to hold a string of fundraising events, the first being an auction of promises at The Ship in Axmouth in March on a date to be announced.

Promises are welcome from any local companies and individuals.

Anyone wishing to pledge a promise can do so by calling Sandi on 07967 917874. Donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/sandra-nicholls.

ON HER BIKE
Sandi Nicholls

Lease result for Chine

East Devon District Council's (EDDC) Cabinet has agreed to offer a 25-year plus lease for Chine Café and public toilets in Seaton as a development opportunity.

As previously reported, the seafront café has been empty since the previous lease expired early in 2014.

The decision to go ahead with the long lease option was made on Wednesday, January 7th.

EDDC considered a number of options for the cafe and toilets and decided that offering the complete building would make the best use of the unique location while ensuring toilet facilities for the community continues.

It is hoped that an all-year round café will be provided.

Councillor Ian Thomas, cabinet member for economy and chairman of Seaton Regeneration Programme Board, said: "The building is in a prime seafront location and therefore offers a fantastic opportunity to a business to provide an exciting and attractive café for Seaton residents and visitors."

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■ A FRISSON of excitement and trepidation is beginning to build amongst members of All Saints Pantomime Society, as the staging of "Ali The Barber" grows ever nearer. The usual signs of panic are setting in as lines continue to be fumbled, musical notes are missed and the dressing up box is ransacked with increasing signs of desperation but, as we all know, it will probably be alright on the night! With a new and original script by Gay Atkinson, Clive Bareham and Dave Wicken, performances will take place in the village hall on January 29th, to 31st ar 7.45pm. A society spokesperson said: "So come and join us for a tale that traverses time and space as we journey to ancient Baghdad in search of the missing sacred stone and where, hopefully, love will conquer all." Tickets are on sale at £5 each (children under 16 £2.50 each for the Thursday and Friday performances) and available from Anthea Bareham on 01460 221088 or by emailing thebarehams@beaconcottage.uk. They will also be available to buy from her at the village hall on Monday and Friday evenings between 7.30pm and 8.30pm.

Actors needed for walking play tribute to WWI soldiers

A PAYHEMBURY resident is seeking people willing to play their part in a promenade performance, paying tribute to the men of the parish who fought in the First World War.

John Somers - artistic director of Tale Valley Community Theatre (TVCT), which will give the performance - said: "They Dream of Home will be a promenade performance with audience following the story in different Payhembury locations, culminating at the war memorial.

"We have received permission from the relatives of two of the men killed in the war and whose names appear on the memorial, to include them as characters in the story.

"Audience members will witness the excitement as the idea of defending their country is put to the men of the village by parson, schoolmaster and vicar as 'their patriotic duty'.

"Scenes in the trenches leading to the Christmas truce then the resumption of fighting exist alongside the tearful farewell of Thomas Dimond, the lead character and whose name is on the memorial, with Gwen, a girl he has hardly got to know before enlisting.

"In Tom Dimond's mind, Gwen follows him throughout the play and she sings movingly near the memorial which bears his name.

"Her love temporarily resurrects Tom as he joins her in a duet to sing If you were the only girl in the world.

"As the audience walks to each scene they sing, accompanied by a brass band, popular songs of the period.

"Beginning in daylight, the battle scene will be in darkness and road closures will be arranged to ensure audience safety." Mr Somers would like anyone interested in taking part in the performances on September 19th and 20th to contact him at j.w.somers@ex.ac.uk, or call 01884 277390 or 07934 611368.

He added: "People of all ages are welcome and there are opportunities to play substantial roles or small parts such as members of flag-waving English and French crowds. Technical help is also required.

"TVCT was formed in 2000 and information concerning its past, all-original work can be seen at www.tvctheatre.org."

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Statement by Axminster's Town Mayor on the Budget for 2015/16

IN THESE times of austerity, with reduced funding, District and County Councils are restricting their operations to those things which they are legally obliged to perform. There is no indication, whatever the outcome of the General Election in May, that the situation will get any better in the foreseeable future, indeed there is every indication that they may get worse.

This does mean that there will be a reduction in some services unless Town and Parish Councils take up the provision or enablement of some of these. I believe we should not see this as a problem but an opportunity for Axminster to shape itself for the benefit of its citizens, in ways that those citizens want. With our work on the Neighbourhood Plan, there is a real chance that Axminster, with the involvement of its people, can become the town we want it to be, rather than the town others think it should be.

But, this does not come without a cost. Whilst volunteers and charitable organisations may help, in order to do the best we can, some funding will be necessary.

This is why I am proposing a budget for the coming year, 2015/16 of £150,855, representing a 9.66% year on year increase. I appreciate this is a hefty uplift in the current economic climate, but feel it is the right thing to do, and detail below where we expect this extra expenditure to go:

SALARIES We are budgeting for an increase of £15,560, the majority of which will be spent on recruiting and employing a handyperson/odd job person/ assistant to cemetery caretaker. We have committed a great deal over the past two years to putting planters and flowers around the town. This we felt has made a great improvement to Axminster and its civic pride, and encourages visitors and locals to use the town centre. However to make the most of this investment, and to ensure we do not rely too much on our few volunteers, these displays will need maintenance throughout the year. Equally, there are times during the summer season when the workload of our caretaker is such that he is not able to keep up with the grasscutting to a standard we require. We have also been requested by members of the public to attend to weeds in the town and to provide more frequent cutting of verges than is done by DCC. There also occurs during the year a variety of odd maintenance jobs that at the moment we have to call on contractors to perform. We believe we can get better value, and more prompt service if we are able to keep this 'in-house'.

PIPPPINS Earlier in the year Devon County Council withdrew our Youth Services, and put notice of closure on Pippins. This was not entirely for cost reasons; but the youth team was consolidated elsewhere to assist the Young People's Social Service department which had been judged inadequate by Ofsted. This left our popular youth club, which helped many vulnerable and challenged young people; and The Project which assists those young people with mental health problems, without a home. As a short term measure the Town Council decided to take on the lease of Pippins, pending any long term solutions which may come forward. This meant that The Project still have a home, and that a group of volunteers could set up Axminster New Youth Club, which opened in November, and has 80 members spread over two evenings, weekly for juniors and seniors. It may be argued that these services should be provided by DCC or the NHS. The fact is that they are not! For example, CAMHS (Children's and Adolescent's Mental Health Services) has seen a 90% increase in referrals over the past two years, with no increase in real term funding. We, as a Town Council cannot be expected to provide a full mental health or youth service for the young people of Axminster, but it does behove us to enable others to provide a level of care and service that does some good, providing the proper safeguards and training are in place, which they are. To date there is no sign of anyone coming forward with a long term solution to utilising Pippins for community benefit. We have therefore decided to budget £10,000 for the coming year to continue this support. This is net of any income from other uses that may pay for their hiring of the facilities. Already there are strong indications that other organisations may wish to hire rooms at Pippins, and our eventual income may well exceed our expectations.

AMENITIES We are here budgeting for an increase of £4900 year on year to £9,900. There are small increases in amounts set aside for maintenance of our seats, which are in continual use, and are much appreciated; and for our floral displays. We have also set aside £500 for cycle path clearing. Whilst these have been put in by Sustrans using lottery funding, there is no provision by DCC for their maintenance, above and beyond that which they allocate to footpaths. These facilities are much used and popular not just by cyclists but also by walkers and dog exercisers. We feel it prudent to set aside some monies to ensure these excellent facilities are kept in top order. The majority of the increase, however, is for £3000 for Christmas lights. £1000 has been allocated for maintenance and improvement of our own lights on the Minster Green. We have also allocated a maximum of £2000 to match fund, on a pound for pound basis the planned improvements to the Christmas lights by the Chamber of Commerce. This is for hire of lights, and will, if successful be an annual expenditure. Its use will be subject to approval by the Town Council of the plans put forward by the Chamber, and its success will be reviewed before we agree to any funding in 2017.

ADMINISTRATION The increase of £5000, year on year, included £2000 for a survey and report on providing disabled access to the upper floors of the Guildhall and Old Court House; £2500 for the upcoming elections in May, £500 for training costs – both for new councillors and for staff- and £250 for the Mayor's allowance – which has not increased for 15 years, and is not a personal allowance. Members of this Town Council do b ot receive any personal allowance. This may change after the elections in May, but we can only budget based on the views of current councillors. We are seeking to renegotiate our telephone contract to save money along with our electricity contract.

GUILDHALL Because of increased use and our investment over the past few years, we no longer have to subsidise to actual operation of The Guildhall. We do however have to maintain our property, and I think most will agree that it looks far better than for many years and is worthy of the title as one of the best venues in East Devon. We have budgeted for an expenditure of £9000, the same as last year, in order to maintain this position. This will include, amongst others work on the stanchions around the building and the installation of a dishwasher in the kitchen. (The cost of the dishwasher will be met from the Guildhall fundraising account, but the Town Council will have to pay for any plumbing alterations that are required. We have also set aside an extra £4000,for stage curtains,as a special project, in addition to the above amount, as these are in vital need of replacement in order to keep up the standards the public expect. New lights will be installed in a few months, for which monies have been set aside in previous years.

We have also budgeted, to be taken from reserves to upgrade the CCTV security system, and whilst a figure of £4000 has been set aside, we need to get professional advice on this matter.

The notice boards, in South Street, Poplar Mount and West Street car parks will also be replaced, by much better and longer lasting ones, and this will be paid for out of our community fund, which we receive from the solar panel power 'farm' at Raymond's Hill.

I believe that this budget represents a responsible and prudent plan for the coming year, bearing in mind what we expect to happen, and what the citizens of Axminster expect from their town. We, as are the public, are proud of the town, and recognise that they expect certain services, facilities and amenities and we will do our very best to provide them at the best value. As it is the proposed increase will mean only an extra 7.5p per week for a Band D householder.

Jeremy Walden
Axminster Town Mayor on behalf of the Town Council.
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ELAINE and Scott Bosence opened the doors to Amity Hair Gallery in January 1990 after moving to Honiton from Sidmouth. Elaine has had a passion for hairdressing since the age of 11 and has won many awards and competitions during her career, gaining a level 3 student of the year award.

Over the past 25 years Elaine has established a fantastic reputation for quality customer service and hair styling in the town at competitive prices.

As a result the salon is as busy as ever with a client list of loyal regulars and new customers booking daily. The success of Amity Hair Gallery has been due to hard work and Elaine's continued interest in evolving the salon and enjoying her job thoroughly.

Elaine would like to thank all her loyal customers for their continued support over the last 25 years.

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AMITY HAIR GALLERY

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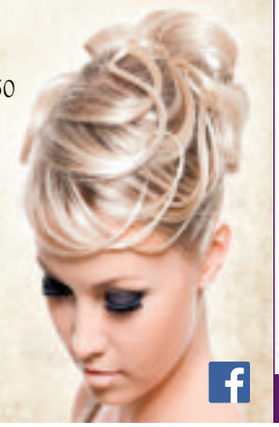

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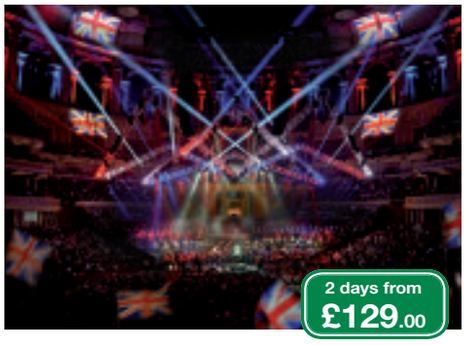

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Do we trust the healthcare authority?

■ DO we trust the North Devon Healthcare authority? Are we happy that North Devon and Wonford Hospital is run as two separate heath authorities with two costly administrations?

Would it make more sense if our district general/acute (major) hospital and our local community hospitals had the same administration? At the moment Wonford has no say in directing a patient to a local community bed, is this right?

Remote North Devon Healthcare Trust has refused to take into account our growing population in the Axe Valley or taken note of the number of people in Dorset who used Axminster Hospital. It is all right for the heath authority to say put the patients out into the community but without the professional carers, the family carers would themselves become worn out and soon require care themselves.

The real point here is that the community hospitals provide a staging post between the acute hospitals and the professional carers giving support care at home. Has the heath authority organised any extra home carers?

We would challenge the health authority to show that they have put in place sufficient additional home carers to ensure that the Home Care programme will operate effectively without detriment to patients and to show how the costs of such a programme, adequately staffed, compared with retaining the in-patient beds in community hospitals. Why are members of the North Devon Trust Panel promoting private nursing homes?

We would like to thank the League of Friends and Save our Hospital Group for all their efforts on supporting Axminster Hospital.

COUNCILLORS DOUGLAS HULL and MARTIN SPURWAY, Axminster

Council could take a tip from Whitehall

■ COUNCILLOR Williams in *Pulman's View From Honiton* (December 16th), highlights the time-consuming decision-making process of Seaton Town Council as identified by the need for meetings during the day and late into the night. This latter is credited with a number of residents declining to stand for election to the council.

At this stage, one has to ask how on earth does Whitehall deal with the problem when there are senior civil servants working at pressure to take the right decisions that affect the whole nation. The answer is, of course, the Civil Service Paper - one sheet of A4 with paragraphs for introduction/aim with limitations/factors, say 1-6; courses of sction, say 1-3; and suggested course of action. Then the decision makers have the whole topic on one sheet of paper with the detail consigned to annexures/appendices.

The most important paragraph is the aim, together with any limitations, as then everyone knows what is to be achieved. Worth remembeing that the maintenance of the aim is also the first Principle of War.

The adoption of a more effective method of working would markedly shorten the councils decision making process and is a more effective solution to widening access than asking employers to give their staff paid leave for council business.

R NIX (by email)

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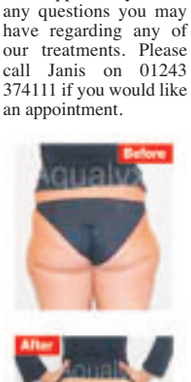

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It's onwards and upwards in 2015 for Devon Air Ambulance

■ AT the end of every year, when we step back and look at what we have achieved, I am always astounded at the amazing things that the community and businesses alike do in order to ensure their air ambulances have enough funding to keep flying. Thank you so much for your continued support.

This year has been yet another extraordinary one, not only from a fundraising perspective but also in relation to operational developments.

We became truly independent in 2014. The charity through, its trading company, already owns both of our EC135 helicopters but in the past always relied on an external body to operate them. This all changed this year when we applied for and were granted our own Air Operating Certificate. We were delighted to be the first air ambulance to do this under the auspices of the European Aviation Safety Agency.

Hospital helipads have been high up on the agenda, both locally and nationally, and we've had a really constructive year working closely with North Devon District, Torbay and the RD&E hospitals, who have all made substantial improvements to their pads, which helps ensure landing in built up areas like hospitals remains as safe as reasonably practical. Again, being independent operators now, we are able to liaise with hospitals direct, which really has made a difference in developing our relationships with them and working together to provide the safest service for the patient and the staff.

As the South West's Major Trauma Centre, we were delighted that Derriford Hospital in Plymouth announced and has since started work on their new state of the art helipad, not only for us but our other emergency services colleagues, like the coastguard, search and rescue and our neighbouring Cornwall Air Ambulance.

Our operations director, Nigel Hare, was able to assist in the planning stages to ensure the new helipad will be fit for purpose for future night operations too. It was a bonus that one of our Business On Board companies SWH Civils, a division of South West Highways Ltd, who supported us as their charity of the year, had got the contract to build. It's been a really constructive partnership and we are proud of the part we were able to play.

Looking forward to 2015 we're definitely going to continue moving forward and building on what we have achieved this year. The most exciting of these will lead up to extending our flying hours into the night.

To be able to do this we not only need to increase our regular income by £1million a year, we also need to establish a network of community helipads across the county, so that we have pre-surveyed lit sites to land at during the hours of darkness, which in the winter can be as early as 4:30pm.

We would love to hear from you if you would like to express an interest to help in your community or you know of a suitable site.

On behalf of Devon Air Ambulance Trust I wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

HELÉNA HOLT, CEO, Devon Air Ambulance Trust

Police speed checks are not propaganda

■ I WOULD like to comment on the letter headed "Message about speed not simple" in the Midweek Herald on December 17th.

It is important to provide some factual context. The figures regarding speeding motorists relate to the latest of a number of speed surveys (seven) carried out by Seaton Police (not only community support officers as claimed by your respondent) in response to concerns by residents who live near Seaton Down Hill. These concerns have been expressed for many years and relate to the ever increasing number of motorists who drive over the 30mph limit (the limit is set by Devon Highways with consultation with the police and the local community) - many at speeds of 50mph plus, thus endangering the safety of others.

This is not "propaganda", neither is it an exercise to "catch (motorists) for monetary benefit"; indeed, until recently, all motorists stopped have been warned and given educational leaflets about speeding.

Despite the fact that this issue has also been raised publically and many motorists warned, it is shocking that there are still many who continue to flout the speed limits. These figures are based upon people caught whilst the police are required to wear high visibility jackets on straight stretches of road thus giving motorists every chance of slowing down to avoid being "clocked".

The reality for those of us who live near this road is that the situation is far more serious than the figures that the police provide, as we witness on a daily basis the inconsiderate and dangerous behaviour of too many motorists.

The police are not involved with "propaganda"; they are doing their job responding to justified local concerns, protecting the public and trying to prevent serious accidents. The message is simple: keep to the speed limits for your own safety and the safety of others.

PAUL ALLAN (and other concerned residents), Seaton Down Hill

A poem for postmen

■ DEAR postmen of Seaton, oh don't you know,
To drop rubber bands on the ground can cause woe,
For baby birds, who in the spring do leap from their nests and fly and sing,
When on the ground they do espy a wriggly worm (or is it?) – oh how to enjoy?
But when they swoop to pick it up, only to find in their gullets get stuck.
So, please Mr Postman take good care,
And your discarded bands to your bags repair.
So next when piles of post you sort,
Please give those baby birds a thought and recyle the bands in the ways we've been taught.

P.S. I think our Postmen do a brilliant job in all weathers, but this is just one personal niggle have.

CAROLE BOOTH, Charles Way, Seaton

Thanks for help from my 'Christmas angels'

■ I SHOULD like to tell you about my Christmas angels this year (2014).

I am very disabled and cannot walk. After a visit to the HSBC bank in Axminster my son, who was with me, went to collect his car and bring it to the bank door. But in his haste to get me seated he closed the driver door, not to cause an obstruction, and left his keys in the ignition. There was an ominous double-click and the car was locked.

Nigel Rowe of Castle Garage came straight round and with his son, John, spent nearly an hour and a half opening the doors.

Meanwhile, the proprietor of Apple Tree Galleries came to my rescue. A chair was brought outside for me and when I went in the shop, I had a drink and was so kindly looked after.

I was, and am, so grateful for their kindness.

MARGARET DUDDRIDGE, Hawkchurch

Providing water for life

WATER SURVIVAL BOX

View

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Tenth anniversary of disaster that kickstarted charity

◆ IN A bid to raise £10,000 over two years for Water Survival Box, we are encouraging our readers and local organisations in East Devon, South Somerset and West Dorset – where we distribute in excess of 40,000 papers every week – to organise a fundraising event for the charity.

This Water Survival Box is crammed with all you need to stay alive after you have lost everything – cooking and eating utensils, basic means of shelter and other essential kit – but most importantly a water-purification pump that will make clean water from dirty water and provide for a family of four everyday for a year.

If you would like to organise an event, telephone James Coles on 01297 446155 and we will promote it in our columns.

To make a donation, send a cheque payable to 'Water Survival Box – View account' to: James Coles, Water Survival Box campaign, View From Newspapers, Unit 3, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset DT7 3DB.

ON BOXING Day 2004, an earthquake measuring 9.1 to 9.3 on the Richter Scale (the third most powerful recorded) took place in the Indian ocean off the coast of the island of Sumatra, Indonesia.

It generated a series of devastating tsunamis that travelled at speeds of 500 miles an hour and created tidal waves up to 100 feet high that struck the coastal areas of 14 countries.

It was one of the deadliest natural disasters in recorded history and killed 230,000 people – Indonesia was the hardest hit followed by Sri Lanka, India, and Thailand.

Millions more were displaced and the number who died from drinking unsafe water is unknown.

In the following days the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge, co-ordinating humanitarian aid response in the form of 'Aquaboxes', appealed for support.

The local appeal provided sufficient funding and donations in kind for 1,940 boxes and a further 1,260 boxes were provided by other Rotary Clubs in the district. Their aid went to Sri Lanka, India and Indonesia.

A review of 'Operation Aquabox' resulted in a series of improvements aimed at streamlining the process and led to the establishment of the Rotary's Water Survival Box charity in the summer of 2006.

The project continues to be managed by senior members of the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge and the £1.3 million donated so far has been used to respond to 39 disasters in some 25 different countries during the past nine years. In order that the charity can continue to respond at the same level to future disasters they need sustained funding in the order of £150,000 to £200,000 each year.

The standard box containing a water-purification kit and other essential survival items costs £150. This covers the cost of the box, contents, and air freight to the disaster area.

The new Aquafilter Family water purification kit can supply 18,000 litres of clean water which is the equivalent of ten litres per person for a family of five each day for a year.

Aid has been sent to 39 disaster zones between 2006 and 2014 in 25 different countries, with 9,300 water-survival boxes distributed, including:

- 2006 – Philippines - typhoon;
- 2007 – Bangladesh - cyclone;
- 2008 – Zimbabwe - cholera;
- 2009 – Taiwan - typhoon, Indonesia - earthquake;
- 2010 – Haiti - earthquake, Chile - earthquake;
- 2011 – Japan - tsunami, Pakistan - floods;
- 2012 – Horn of Africa - drought;
- 2013 – Mozambique - floods; Philippines - super typhoon Haiyan;
- 2014 – Bolivia - floods; Chile – earthquake & Valparaiso great fire; Serbia - floods; Kashmir/India - floods.

Volunteer Rotarians in Chelwood Bridge manage the project with practical help from the Rotary, Inner Wheel, school, youth and other local community groups. Every pound donated is used to pay for boxes and air freight to ensure speed of response.

■ FUNDRAISERS | View From's Lisa Bright, Lottie Welch and James Coles at the Bridport event

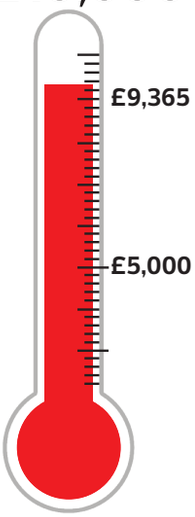
We've nearly done it!

▼ WATER Survival Box fundraisers at the View From were invited once again to Bridport Potato Day earlier this month, where greenfingered visitors generously donated a total of £111.77 – pushing us ever closer to our target of £10,000.

We'd like to thank organiser Jude Hopkins and the other volunteers in local gardening group 'plan b' for asking us back.

The event, which took place at Bridport United Church Hall, also raised money for the Children's Liver Disease Foundation through the sale of heritage and heirloom seeds and plants.

TARGET £10,000



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WITH 26 parish and town council projects funded in 2013-2014, the Parishes Together Fund is looking to allocate more money to local community initiatives.

For the third year running, East Devon District Council (EDDC) and Devon County Council (DCC) are inviting town and parish councils to apply to their joint initiative – the Parishes Together Fund – for grants towards projects that will solve local community issues.

EDDC and DCC are again putting £1.10 per elector into the scheme.

Each town or parish council can then apply for up to £1.10 for every person in their parish that was listed on the Electoral Roll in February 2014.

A requirement for successful applications is that two or more parishes must apply jointly for funding for anything from one-off projects to events. The final closing date for applications is February 13th.

Examples of projects funded by the Parishes Together Fund include:

- Bus shelters on a bus route between Farringdon and Sidmouth - £1,650;
- The creation of a footpath at Candy's Field in Lympstone to allow access to the recreation area - £1,964;
- The purchase of computer equipment for Ottery St Mary and district computer club - £2,993;
- The purchase of gazebos for community events by Exmouth Town Council in collaboration with Budleigh Salterton - £2438.40;
- The purchase of books for a reading scheme for the primary school in Rockbeare, which has pupils from the parishes of Rockbeare and Whimple - £2,500;
- A refit for the kitchen at Younghayes Community Centre in Cranbrook - £12,000.

East Devon District Council's part of the funding for the Parishes Together Fund has come from the New Homes Bonus, which is paid by the Government to councils for every new home built or brought back into use.

Councillor Ray Bloxham, East Devon District Council member and chairman of the New Homes Bonus Panel, said: "The Parishes Together Fund is all about encouraging parishes and towns to work in partnership.

"This type of collaboration can make an incredible difference in helping address local issues.

"It is immensely rewarding for the Parishes Together Fund to receive feedback from the people responsible for these projects.

"It is good to know what a difference the funding has made. But most importantly it's about supporting communities help those in need and giving back power back to the people."

Devon County Council Leader, John Hart said: "Devon County Council is continuing to make funds available to communities to use how they see best.

"This money is available to parish and town councils to spend in ways that will benefit their communities.

"I firmly believe decisions should be made as locally as possible to encourage local accountability and I have always advocated more partnership with our district, town and parish colleagues.

"If we believe in the 'resilience' of our smaller communities, then this is one way of pump-priming activity."

To find out more about the Parishes Together Fund, to apply or to see what other projects have been funded visit http://new.eastdevon.gov.uk/grants-and-funding/parishes-together-fund

LORRAYN de Peyer was born in London and came to Axminster by chance, having casually asked about rent levels when holidaying in the area. She once worked as an exotic dancer and is about to start a pop-rock choir in Axminster.

60 seconds

- **WHERE were you born and where did you grow up?** I was born in the Middlesex Hospital in the middle of London and grew up in North London.
- **WHEN did you move to Axminster?**

I moved to Axminster 10 years ago. I was visiting friends and staying in a B&B in Musbury when I casually in passing (not for a minute thinking seriously about it) asked the owner of the B&B what the price of renting in the area was? She said: "Why don't you speak to my brother who rents out that cottage over there?" pointing to a white cottage in the middle of the valley outside the window. I did and that was it. I took it for the winter and never looked back. I was smitten and Devon became my heaven.

- **WHAT was your first job, and what have you done since?**

My first job was as a hairdresser's assistant to a cousin of mine just off Oxford Street in London. After I knocked down and broke the glass shelf above the wash basin, she politely told me that I might like to consider a different kind of job! I have had such a wide and diverse variety of jobs that it is challenging to summarise it all – from being an English teacher in Zambia, Africa, as an aid worker with Voluntary Service Overseas, to being a professor of psychology at a University in The Philippines; a nightclub singer in Manila with Filipino musicians and a stripper to pay for my music studies in America, after which I became a jazz singer; a songwriter and independent recording artist in the music business; a teacher in the healing arts; a musical director of pop and rock choirs, one of my present jobs. These days I just stick to music and my activities for change in the human potential movement.

- **YOU released a CD (The Voice of Courage) in 2012. Tell us about it and your career in music...**

The inspiration for my present album has come from my own journey and fight to bring the light into my life; fighting to grow into all that I knew I could be by finding the courage to express myself. The inner journey I have travelled to overcome a painful childhood and my fear of failure led me to begin to live the life I wanted to live, rather than the life that my parents, teachers and society prescribed for me. This has culminated in an outer journey that took me singing around the world and led me to write the songs in this album.

- **WHY should people join your new pop-rock choir in Axminster?**

The channelling of the negative feelings into music saved my life and turned the destructive behaviour patterns I had inherited into something positive. Singing and music are the best antidotes I know to everything. Simply put, singing makes you feel good and even if you feel pretty good already it can make you feel even better. It is also health-generating, empowering and importantly; this new choir is a pop-rock choir and we sing the very best of contemporary music with backing tracks and all the harmony parts recorded for you to be able to learn your part easily. You don't need to be able to read music and complete beginners as well as more advanced singers are welcome. What could be more fun than that?

- **WHAT makes you happy?**

One of the things I absolutely love is singing jazz with really good musicians and in 2014 I have been lucky enough to start writing and rehearsing for my next album with the very excellent Phil Clouts from Lyme Regis, who is one of the South West's premier jazz musicians. I can't wait to get out there doing gigs with my own band with Phil in 2015. It also makes me genuinely happy leading the pop-rock choirs where I am the musical director in Axminster and Taunton.

- **ANY other business?**

I would like to offer a word of gratitude to little ole Axminster and its townspeople for adopting me, I so appreciate it for its friendliness.

To attend the Axminster Pop-Rock Choir in January or contact Lorrayn about hiring her jazz band, email info@thecouragetosing.co.uk, call Lorrayn on 01297 639922 or visit www.thecouragetosing.co.uk

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▲ Pre-school children decorating their own Christmas cakes, December 2014

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Along with having a lovely bright, airy classroom, we also have an outside area for the children to ride scooters safely and play in the sandpit.

We are currently fundraising to replace the preschool floor and are holding a Bingo night at the Guildhall on Friday 20th February @ 7:30pm. Please do come along and join us for a fun night. A raffle will be held on the night along with some great Bingo prizes.

We have a team of experienced staff who have been with us a long time and due to increased popularity of Dragonflies, we are looking to recruit a part time and Bank member of staff. If you are interested in joining our team please contact dragonflies@stmarysaxminster.devon.sch.uk

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Seaton Panto perform the family favourite at The Gateway

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Cream tea concert

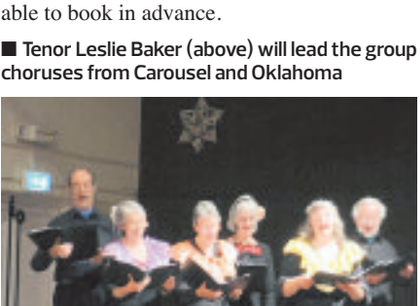
SEATON Choral Society's Cream Tea concerts are becoming, by popular demand, annual events.

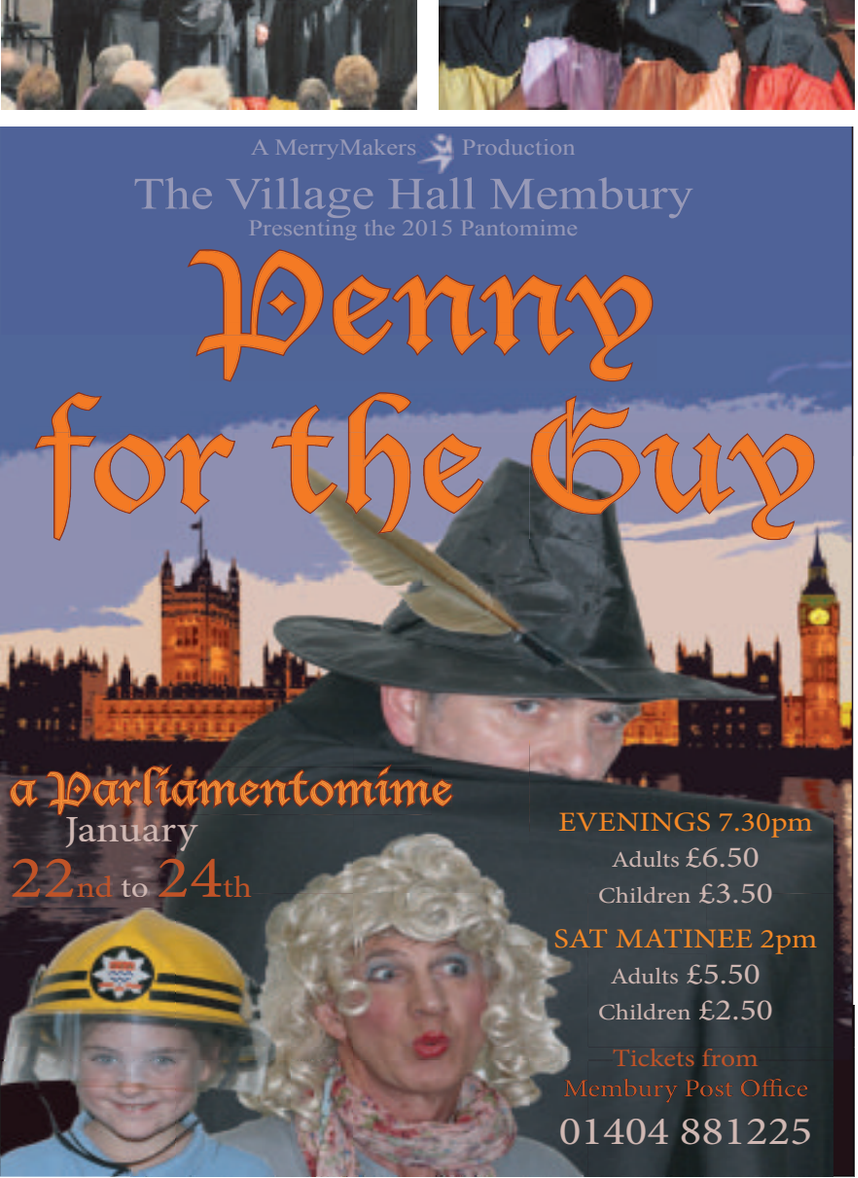
On Sunday, February 1st, the third in the series will take place, this time featuring excerpts from shows by Rodgers and Hammerstein. A small group of singers, led by tenor Leslie Baker, will don appropriate costume and perform a one-hour programme of songs, duets and choruses from *Carousel* and *Oklahoma*, accompanied by pianist Michèle Banting.

The audience sit at tables and will be served a traditional cream tea, all in the comfortable surroundings of "The Gateway" (Seaton Town Hall). Doors will open at 3pm; the concert will begin at 3.30, with tea in the interval at around 4pm.

Tickets £7 inclusive from The Gateway Box Office. Tel: 01297 625699 It would be advisable to book in advance.

■ Tenor Leslie Baker (above) will lead the group of singers (pictured below) through songs and choruses from Carousel and Oklahoma





B Sharp singers raise roof at Exeter Cathedral

Review | B Sharp Vocal Collective Beer Quarry Caves Concert at Exeter Cathedral

THERE was barely a dry eye in the house as the young voices of the B Sharp Vocal Collective rang out and raised the rafters of Exeter Cathedral last week.

The Beer Quarry Caves Concert was the culmination of a year of musical discovery that has seen children and young people from across the region working with music professionals to produce new music and songs inspired by the Beer Quarry Caves.

The B Sharp Vocal Collective filled the second half of the concert last Tuesday and followed a selection of stories, film, songs and poems organised by Woodroffe School that related to the historic caves at Beer where stone has been quarried for 2000 years and has been used to build Exeter and St Paul's cathedrals, parts of Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London and Windsor Castle.

Under the direction of composer John K Miles, the B Sharp Vocal Collective, made up of young singers from St Michael's and Mrs Ethelston's primary school in Lyme Regis, St Mary's in Bridport and Woodroffe School, along with a core group of soloists, were in stunning form, delivering formidable performances that brought a lump to the throats of parents and teachers alike.

Not only was the singing incomparably powerful, the fact that all the ideas, lyrics and melodies came from the young people themselves is a lasting testament to their creativity, ambition and talent.

The band – Deborah Jordan (vocals), Winston Clifford (drums), Dave Manington (bass) and Jack Ross (guitar) – was joined by B Sharp mentors Chloe Stratta and Jacques Verhaeren who lead the core vocalists in a series of highly polished, extremely professional performances.

Around 160 children and young people followed by their parents, invited guests and members of the public arrived in 13 free coaches laid on from rural locations all over West Dorset and East Devon and as an audience of more than 500 looked on, the concert provide a fitting finale to the project, yet another wonderful B Sharp music project that has engaged and enhanced the lives of young people throughout the region.

"It's not every day that so many children and young people from all backgrounds in the rural hinterlands of the south west get an opportunity to work together on such a large scale project with professional musicians at to perform in such a prestigious venue," says B Sharp director Fran Williams.

"Singing didn't always grab the young people at first, but once the project was underway everyone was fully signed up to it and nothing was going to dampen the spirit and commitment.

"They will remember this experience forever, it is a remarkable achievement by everyone concerned and the feedback we have collated consistently demonstrates the value and high levels of understanding and appreciation that the experience has meant to them."

Flora Jamieson, whose daughter Nelly goes to St Mary's Bridport, praised everyone who took part – not only in the final concert in Exeter, but also at previous shows in Bridport and Lyme Regis.

"From writing the songs, rehearsing and meeting children from other schools, to performing in three great venues, Nelly has grown in confidence and learnt new skills that would not otherwise have been available to her," she says.

Composer/music leader John K Miles was equally impressed.

"Awesome, committed performances, it was a stunning culmination to another wonderful B Sharp project," he said after the concert.

He went on to thank percussionist Adriano Adewale who had played in the first performance in September and Marshwood Primary School, which also took part, as well as the technical crew and the charity's board for its fundraising and support.

B Sharp's dynamic creative singing project, funded by Youth Music and West Dorset District Council, was designed to raise levels of aspiration in young people through group singing and solo singer Phoebe Hill is not the only one whose future ambitions have been boosted as a result.

"I have absorbed so much inspiration and motivation from B Sharp, which will give me the drive to realise my ambition and not give up," she says. "My dream would to be involved in the music industry – producing, performing and making music which I know is a very competitive job, but I won't let that put me off."

B Sharp runs a varied programme of music, singing and young music leadership, with weekly music making groups where children and young people can explore and develop their music skills. It has a very clear inclusion policy and runs a bursary scheme so that nobody is excluded on grounds of hardship. For more information call 01297 444252 or email franwilliams@bsharp.uk.com.

■ Photos by Maisie Hill

Seaton Panto goes Oriental

REHEARSALS started on January 5th and are going full steam ahead for Seaton Panto in preparation for their production of '*Aladdin*' which is being staged at The Gateway, Seaton Town Hall, from Thursday 12th to Sunday, February 15th. To produce a pantomime in just six weeks is no mean feat but over the last fifteen years Seaton have proved it can be done and with no compromise to quality. They have a reputation for their spectacular 'fun' shows for all the family and this year is no different.

The cast of forty are being put through their paces by Director Mary Bowles and Choreographer Debbie Bradley (you can be sure of some lively numbers from them) and with vocal coaching from Francesca Mills Durston and Mary, the sounds are harmonious!

They welcome the return of a few seasoned thespians this year, Phil Christmas plays the scary Abanazar, and wife Val joins Mark Mills Durston to play the comic Chinese policemen duo Wong and Pong, and last year's baddie Linda Stone plays the genial Genie. Fresh from university is Lauren Weber as Aladdin and Caraleigh Bradley takes on her first role as a princess, both girls having worked their way up to principle roles from childhood parts when the panto started. Newcomer Ben Malone makes a loveable Wishy Washee and a loyal panto trouper Milly Chaplyn is the delightful So Shy. Mark Usher takes on his first principal role as the Emperor and Holly Stock as Spirit of the Ring. Firm favourite is the Dame, as always played by Ian Waite as Widow Twankey, who is a past master of ad lib and audience banter (no man is safe), and of course no Seaton panto would be complete without their mascot Cullen the Chicken (Adam Tedbury).

The 'Charismatic Chorus', which includes eighteen children ably support the principals throughout. The show is colourful and full of surprises, foot tapping songs and barrels of laughter... a perfect treat for all the family!

Tickets are on sale now at The Gateway box office - telephone 01297 625699. The last couple of years have sold out so don't delay...get yours today!

■ The principal cast members of '*Aladdin*'

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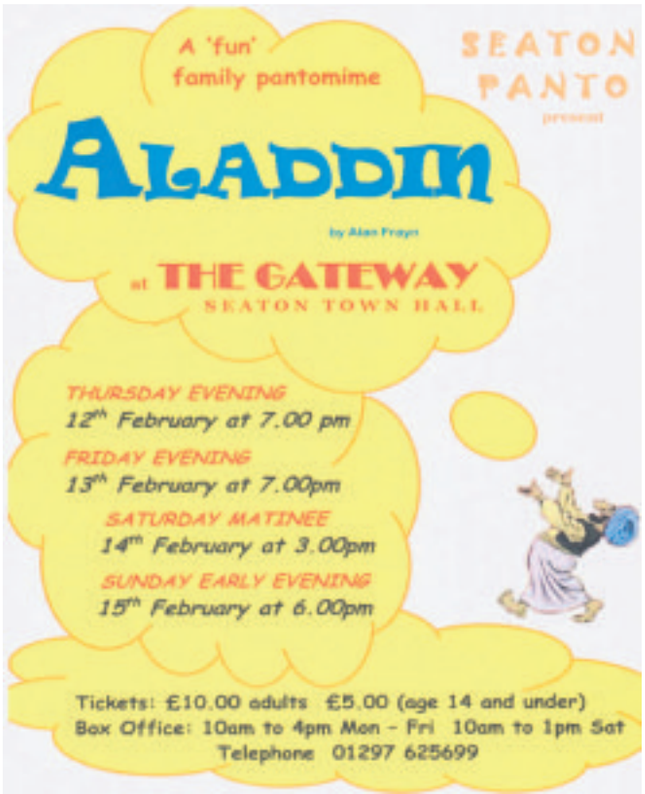

Southern Tenant Folk Union come to the Marine Theatre

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Southern Tenant Folk Union play at the Marine Theatre on Friday, January 30th, doors open 7.15pm, with music from 8pm. Tickets are £13.50 or £12.50 concessions, and a TheatreFriends discount is available. For more details or to book visit www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138

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AXMINSTER: Dalwood spinners, a local craft group who create hand made gifts, give all of the proceeds from their sales to South West Children's Hospice. A selection of their knitted good is currently on display in one of the Old Police cells at the Axminster Arts Cafe Axminster Arts Café, The Old Courthouse, Church Street, EX13 5AQ. 01297 631455. Opening hours Tues – Fri 9am – 2pm; Sat + Mon 9am–12pm

AXMINSTER: In one of the Old Police cells will be an exhibition of pictures by Megs Rimmer, David Starr and John Whenray. With her love of harmony of colours, Megs produces small oil paintings which are bright and refreshing whatever the subject. They are currently priced at half their normal price. Meanwhile David, who is both colour blind and on the blind register mainly produces portraits. He has worked in all mediums and has an oil, acrylic, charcoal and watercolour on show. John has three small scraper board pictures available to view Axminster Arts Café, The Old Courthouse, Church Street, Axminster. EX13 5AQ. 01297 631455. Tues–Fri 9am–2pm; Mon & Sat 9am–12pm

AXMINSTER: Once again the Axminster Arts Cafe is hosting a display of the winning entries of the Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Entitled "Peace, Love & Understanding", this is the contest theme for the 27th competition; with some very creative & thought-provoking posters this year by students aged between 11 -13 years old. The posters are judged on the artistic interpretation of the theme, together with the young person's quote on peace..They have been selected from Schools and Youth Groups from across the south west. Axminster Arts Café, The Old Courthouse, Church Street, EX13 5AQ. 01297 631455 Opening hours Tues–Fri 9am–2pm; Mon & Sat 9am–12pm

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21ST

SEATON: Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, at 10am when the speaker will be Tony Simpson on 'Tunnellers of The Great War'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

SEATON: Seaton Music Piano Competition at 6.30pm at Seaton Town Hall. Adjudicated by Sarah Beth Briggs. Winner will perform the following evening with Sarah. Tickets £5 in advance or on door.

BEER: Jurassic Folk in the Function Room at the Dolphin Hotel, Beer, EX12 3EQ. Starts 8pm through to 10.30pm. For more details contact, Andrew 01404 46451 or Adrian 01404 42288.

ROUSDON: Axe Vale and District Work Party on the Undercliffs, Sheepwash. Scrub bashing. Meet at Peek Hall (SY296913). Long walk in. Bring lunch. For more details call 01297 552945.

HONITON: Honiton University of the Third Age will be holding their first meeting of the New Year at the Beehive Centre, Dowell, Street. When Mr Malcolm Eden will give a talk entitled 'My Trip to Panama'. Doors open 1.45pm for a 2pm start. Visitors welcome

THURSDAY JANUARY 22ND

SEATON: Seaton Music – Sarah Beth-Briggs playing piano. At 13 she was the youngest ever BBC Young Musician finalist. Also performance of young winner of piano competition which Sarah judged. At 7.30pm at Seaton Town Hall. Tickets £14, under 18s and full time students free, on the door or 01297 625699.

SEATON: Seaton Knitting and Crochet group meets Thursdays at Pebbles Coffee House from 10-12. Come along and enjoy a coffee. Beginners welcome.

FRIDAY JANUARY 23RD

BEER: Variety Night – An evening of 'fun and laughter', including ploughman's – Mariners Hall, Beer, 7.30pm. Tickets £5 adults, £3 child, available from Beer Post Office or Beer Village Store. (£6 adult on door).

SATURDAY JANUARY 24TH

DALWOOD: Tuckers Jazz Club presents The Annika Skoogh Quartet at 8pm. At the Tuckers Arms (EX13 7EG). Tickets £7 in advance by calling 01404 831280 or 881601, or on the door.

MUSBURY: Table Top Sale at Musbury village hall on Saturday January 24th from 10am – 1pm. Free admission. Refreshments available.

AXMINSTER: Crystal Workshop, 10am-4pm. £40. For more details call 01297 35448 or visit www.rachelrendell.co.uk

OTTERY ST MARY: Ottery Scout Group Jumble Sale Drop off point on village store car park in West Hill, 10am–12.30pm.

MONDAY JANUARY 26TH

AXMINSTER: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

BEER: Film Society at Steamers Restaurant presents 'Pride' (cert 15). Film starts 7.30pm. Non-members £5, Members £3.50. All welcome, bar available.

AXMINSTER: Improve Your English every Monday at Axminster Library. Practise basic English and grammar for job interviews, conversation, CVs. Free and open to everyone.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28TH

UPLYME: Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society January Meeting. Alice Holden runs a small team growing organic food on a two acre site in Dagenham, east of London, and will be telling us how it was set up on a derelict industrial site and now runs successfully. The talk title is "Grown in Dagenham". 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall.

AXMINSTER: Free Art Course on Expressive Drawing at The Pippins Centre from 7-9pm. Aimed at people under 25 who have left education. Led by experienced local artists and teachers Charles Sinclair and Heather Fallows. Course is supported by Artwave West and DAISI. Also on February 4th and 11th.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28TH

AXMINSTER: Psychic development group 10.30am – 12pm. Small group meeting the last Wednesday of every month. £5 per session Call 01297 35448 for more info or see www.rachelrendell.co.uk

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FRIDAY JANUARY 30TH

UPLYME: Charity Supper & Family Ferret Race Night – raising money for the Flamingo Pool (Axminster). At Uplyme Village Hall, 6-9pm. Tickets £8.50 adults, £4.50 children, £22 family. Discount for membership holders (includes bangers & mash supper, vegetarian option available). Bet on the ferrets, win the raffle, enter the drawing competition, lucky bucket, temporary tattoos, lollipop lotto, meet the ferrets, wine, beer, tuck shop, refreshments, family fun. Tickets available in advance from Flamingo Pool reception or by calling 01297 35800.

SEATON: Phil Murray's Diamond Dogz play live at The Royal Clarence. Doors open 7pm.

SATURDAY JANUARY 31ST

SEATON: Meet the Birds – improve your birdwatching skills with an experienced volunteer guide in the hide. At Tower Hide, Axe Estuary Wetlands. Parking through Seaton cemetery. 9am–11am. Free.

BEER: Seaton and District Branch of the RNLI Table Top Sale at the Mariners Hall, 9am–1pm (doors open to sellers from 8am). £6 per table, to book a table call 01297 20048. Refreshments including Bacon Butties. Half price RNLI Christmas Cards, Calendars and Diaries. Tea, coffee, cakes and raffle.

OTTERY ST MARY: Week one of the Ottery Scout Group Jumble Sale – Books, bric a brac, electrical items, furniture and antiques – from 11am at Coleridge Playschool, and from 1.30pm at the Old Boys' Club and The Institute

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

AXMINSTER: Ecumenical, 'Iona-style' service at Axminster Methodist Church. All welcome. 4pm.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

AXMINSTER: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

AXMINSTER: Spiritual chat group 1pm – 2.30pm. Small group meeting once a month. £5 per session Call 01297 35448 for more info or see www.rachelrendell.co.uk

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

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WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

SEATON: Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, at 10am when the speaker will be Doug Hislop on 'Archaeology'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

BEER: Jurassic Jam in the long Bar at the Dolphin Hotel, Beer, EX12 3EQ. Starts 8pm through to 10.15pm. For more details contact, Andrew 01404 46451 or Adrian 01404 42288.

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KILMINGTON: Moviola presents 'Magic in the Moonlight' (cert 12a) at the village hall (Whitford Road). Doors and bar open 6.45pm, film 7.15pm. Tickets £5 if purchased in advance from Hurfords Store, or £5.50 on the door. For more details call 01297 32335

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH – SATURDAY 7TH

ILMINSTER: 'Hay Fever' by Noel Coward at The Warehouse Theatre, Ilminster 7.30pm. Tel 07943 770990 or thewarehousetheatre.org.uk. Tickets £7, £8, £9

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Sidmouth Town Band & Rivertones Harmony Chorus to perform special double bill concert

SIDMOUTH Town Band & Rivertones Harmony Chorus will perform a special double bill concert on Saturday, February 28th at 7.45pm at Manor Pavilion Theatre, Sidmouth EX10 8RP.

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The first floor Landing has fitted carpet flooring and a built-in airing cupboard. Doors lead off to Bedroom One, a double size room with a window to the front aspect, fitted laminate board flooring and a built-in wardrobe. Bedroom Two, a single size room, has a window to the rear aspect and fitted carpet flooring. The fitted wardrobe and shelved alcove allows storage.

The Bathroom, with obscure glazed window to the rear aspect, has fitted vinyl flooring and a grey coloured bathroom suite comprising bath, with electric shower facility, pedestal wash hand basin and WC.

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TOP 10 TIPS MAKE THE BEST OF YOUR HOME FOR A WINTER SALE

OUR cold, wet winters brings their own set of issues to consider when preparing a home for viewings, so the Property Sharing Experts network of independent estate agents across the Westcountry has compiled a 'Top 10' to help sellers make the most of their home for a sale this season:

1. Make sure all the curtains and blinds are open to allow in as much light as possible and try to arrange viewings in daylight hours rather than in the dark.
2. Turn all the lights on for viewings - even in cupboards and garages - and make sure you have a stock of bulbs so they can be immediately replaced. If you have garden lighting, switch it on at dusk for a welcoming glow and so the 'For Sale' sign is easy for passers-by to see.
3. Make sure there is parking close by – potential buyers won't want to walk any further than they have to in the cold weather!
4. Make sure hallways and entrances in particular are kept clean and tidy. Provide a rug or seat for viewers to easily wipe or remove their shoes and boots and keep the floor clean from any mud or residue from wet shoes.
5. Windows are mostly left closed when it's cold, which allows odours to develop and linger more easily, so try to restrict pets to certain rooms, avoid cooking dishes such as fish the day before a viewing and clean more often as dust settles more quickly. It may sound like a cliché but the smell of bread baking is lovely and fresh flowers can add colour as well as a wonderful scent.
6. Maintain a comfortable indoor temperature – not too hot as buyers are likely to keep their coats on during viewings. If you have an open fire, light it for a warm, welcoming feel. Empty properties can become prone to condensation mould and burst pipes at this time of year so an amount of heat and ventilation is paramount; clean out and keep clear any corners or alcoves showing signs of condensation mould to allow it to dry properly.
7. Offer potential buyers a warm drink – this encourages them to stay for longer, makes them feel comfortable and allows them to get a real feel for the property.
8. Keep gardens tidy, make sure paths and steps are kept clear of snow and ice for easy entry and keep paths, patios, greenhouses and decking clear of green algae and moss, which can build up at this time of year. Also, repair any storm or weather damage as soon as possible.

And make the most of time spent indoors on cold, wet days:

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The Kitchen, with window to rear aspect, has fitted vinyl flooring, and fitted wall and base units. The work surface incorporates a stainless steel bowl sink. There is space provided for a free standing electric cooker and fridge freezer. There is also space and plumbing for a washing machine.

The first floor landing has carpet flooring leading from the staircase. The door leading off to bedroom one is a double size room with a window to front aspect with fitted carpet and space for a wardrobe.

Bedroom two is a single size room with a window to front aspect and fitted carpet flooring.

The bathroom, with obscure glazed window to the rear aspect, is a white coloured bathroom suite comprising a bath, pedestal wash hand basin and WC.

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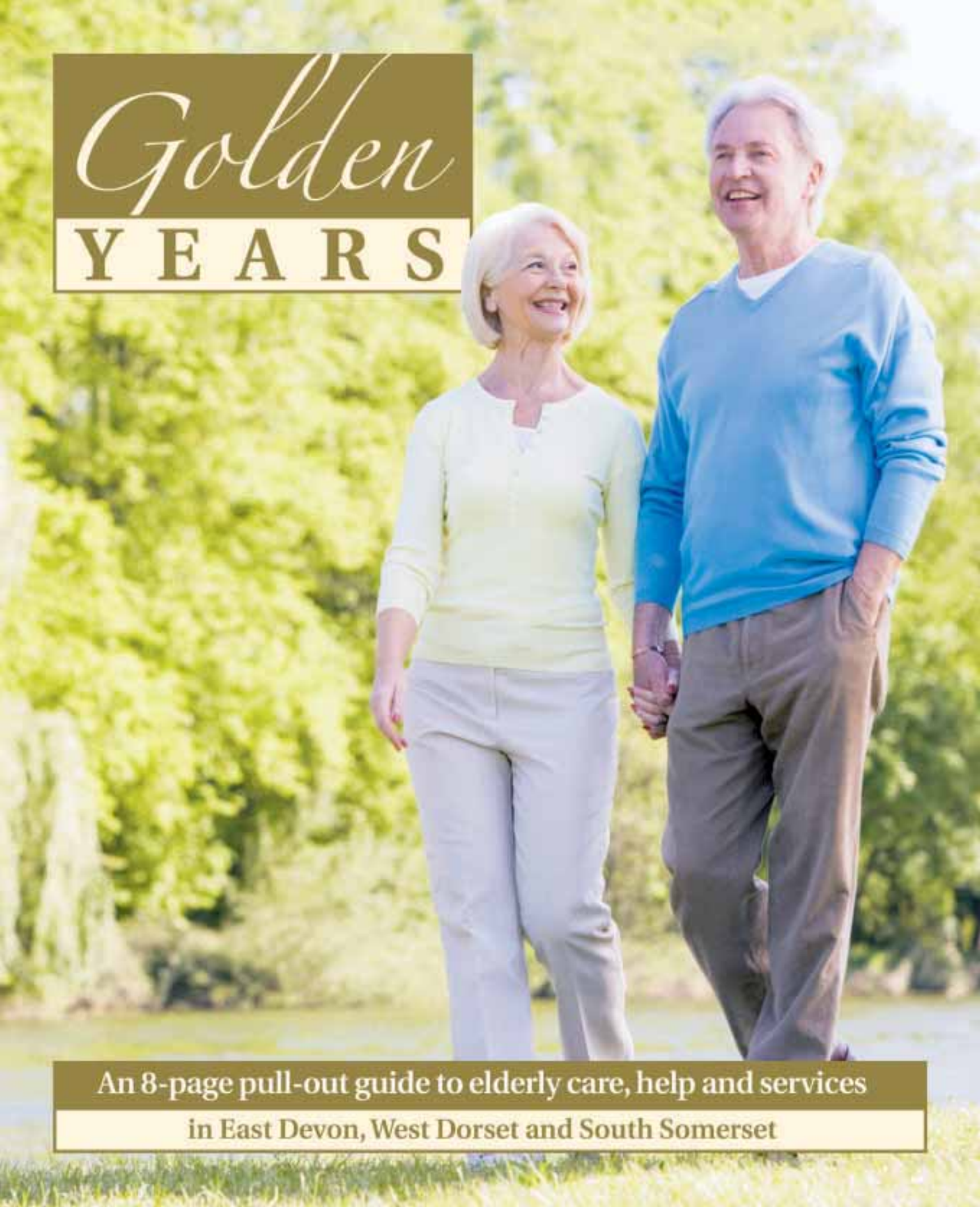

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Tips for coping with change

FOCUS on the things you're grateful for. The longer you live, the more you lose. But as you lose people and things, life becomes even more precious. When you stop taking things for granted, you appreciate and enjoy what you have even more.

• Acknowledge and express your feelings. You may have a hard time showing emotions, perhaps feeling that such a display is inappropriate and weak. But burying your feelings can lead to anger, resentment, and depression. Don't deny what you're going through. Find healthy ways to process your feelings, perhaps by talking with a close friend or writing in a journal.

• Accept the things you can't change. Many things in life are beyond our control. Rather than stressing out over them, focus on the things you can control such as the way you choose to react to problems. Face your limitations with dignity and a healthy dose of humor.

• Look for the silver lining. As the saying goes, "What doesn't kill us makes us stronger." When facing major challenges, try to look at them as opportunities for personal growth. If your own poor choices contributed to a stressful situation, reflect on them and learn from your mistakes.

• Take daily action to deal with life's challenges. When a challenge seems too big to handle, sweeping it under the carpet often appears the easiest option. But ignoring the problem doesn't make it go away; it allows both the problem and your anxiety to build. Instead, take things one small step at a time. Even a small step can go a long way to boosting your confidence and reminding you that you are not powerless.

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Tips for eating well as you age

AS YOU age, your relationship to food may change along with your body. A decreased metabolism, changes in taste and smell, and slower digestion may affect your appetite, the foods you can eat, and how your body processes food. The key is to figure out how to adapt to your changing needs. Now, more than ever, healthy eating is important to maintain your energy and health.

. Load up on high-fiber fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. Your whole digestive system does slow as you age, so fiber is very important. Consume fiber-rich foods such as whole grains, fruit, and vegetables. They will help you feel more energetic and give you fuel to keep going.

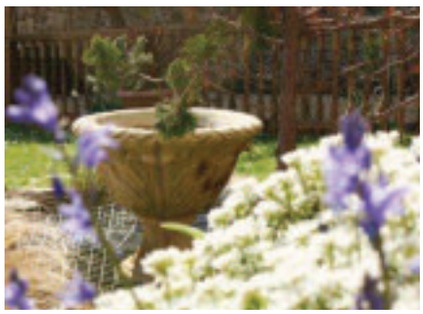
. Put effort into making your food look and taste good. Your taste buds may not be as strong and your appetite may not be the same, but your nutritional needs are just as important as ever. If you don't enjoy eating like you used to, put a little more effort into your meals, including the way you flavor, prepare, and present your food.

. Watch out for dehydration. Because of physical changes, older adults are more prone to dehydration. So make sure you are drinking plenty of fluid, even if you don't feel thirsty. If you're not getting enough water, you're not going to be as sharp and your energy will suffer.

Make meals a social event. It's more enjoyable to eat with others than alone. If you live alone, invite other people over. It's a great way to stay in touch with friends and you can share cooking and cleanup duties.

Netherhayes Care Home

NETHERHAYES is Seaton's premiere Care Home and has been successfully caring for the elderly since it was purchased by the present partnership in 1993. It is the Care Management team's focus on achieving the highest standards possible that have built Netherhayes' reputation as a forerunner in the provision of care for the elderly in East Devon.



Helping you choose the right care

Choosing the right Care Home for oneself or for a dear relative must be one of the most difficult decisions to make. Often this decision has to be made as a result of circumstances just when emotions are running high and it can all be very overwhelming.

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Bymead House

BYMEAD House Nursing & Residential Home in Charmouth has been owned by Susan Blacklock - a qualified nurse with a background specialising in Community Nursing - for 20 years.

Her philosophy is to provide truly individual and therapeutic support including complimentary therapies such as acupuncture, to whatever degree is wanted or required.

She has always believed that this support should extend to the families and friends of those living at Bymead House as they form an important integral part of the care network within the home.

Bymead has always been proactive with the care provision and facilities on offer to the residents.

We continue to work towards the 'Gold Standards Framework in Care Homes', this will enhance the excellent care we already provide and is part of a national initiative to achieve the best quality of life for our residents particularly towards the end of life.

A very important part of the support Bymead provides is their extensive activities programme.

In line with their philosophy of holistic care, these activities are tailored to suit the individual needs of their residents.

The varied weekly programme reflects hobbies the residents may have had in their previous home and any new interests are encouraged and supported. Also outings to favourite destinations are chosen by the residents.

Sue Bartlett-Hall, activities co-ordinator, has been instrumental for many years in taking forward Susan Blacklock's vision of the therapeutic importance of social activities in relation to the happiness and wellbeing of people living within a care home.

Using local suppliers has always been important to Bymead House, this ensures that Bymead have frequent deliveries of fresh local produce each week enabling them to provide a varied, nutritious and tasty menu and special diets are also catered for.

Bymead continues to grow and develop as a vital care provider in the community.

Residents are encouraged to make the rooms their own personal space with favourite pieces of furniture, pictures and paintings.

All bedrooms are single and most are en-suite whilst each room has a telephone and television

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All enquiries please telephone the Manager, Sue Blacklock on (01297) 560620 or e-mail bymead-house@gmail.com

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Dr. S.H. and Mrs. S.E.C. Curry have owned, managed and resided at The Manor House since April 1996.

Dr. Curry is a chartered psychologist with many years experience dealing with the rehabilitation of brain-injured individuals, whilst Mrs. Curry is an RGN with many years of specialist practice. Her experiences as ward Sister have been invaluable training in the management of staff and resources.

The Manor Houses latest Care Quality Commission inspection report was rated as a 3 Star or Excellent Care Service. The Manor House is a private residential care home which strives to provide the highest standard of care and permanent accommodation for 15 elderly individuals.

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At any point in time The Manor House will have between 14 and 18 members of staff additional to the proprietors. The proprietors fully recognize the crucial role that staff play in the welfare of the residents and therefore have had a long-standing commitment to continuous staff development and training. This is evidenced by the high level of staff qualification.

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How to feel young and live life to the fullest

STAYING healthy and feeling your best is important at any age and that doesn't change just because you have a few more grey hairs. As we grow older, we experience an increasing number of major life changes, including career changes and retirement, children leaving home, the loss of loved ones, and physical changes. How we handle and grow from these changes is the key to staying healthy. These tips can help you maintain your physical and emotional health and live life to the fullest, whatever your age.

Finding and following your formula for staying healthy

Coping with change is difficult, no matter how old you are. The particular challenge for adults over 65 is the sheer number of changes and transitions that start to occur—including children moving away, the loss of parents, friends, and other loved ones, changes to or the end of your career, declining health, and even loss of independence. It's natural to feel those losses. But if that sense of loss is balanced with positive ingredients, you have a formula for staying healthy as you age.

Healthy aging means continually reinventing yourself as you pass through landmark ages. It means finding new things you enjoy, learning to adapt to change, staying physically and socially active, and feeling connected to your community and loved ones. Unfortunately, for many, aging brings anxiety and fear instead. How will I take care of myself late in life? What if I lose my spouse? What is going to happen to my mind? However, many of these fears stem from myths about aging that are exaggerated by the media or simply untrue. The truth is that you are stronger and more resilient than you may think.

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It's never too late to start! No matter how old you are or how unhealthy you've been in the past, caring for your body has enormous benefits that will help you stay active, sharpen your memory, boost your immune system, manage health problems, and increase your energy. In fact, many older adults report feeling better than ever because they are making more of an effort to be healthy than they did when they were younger.

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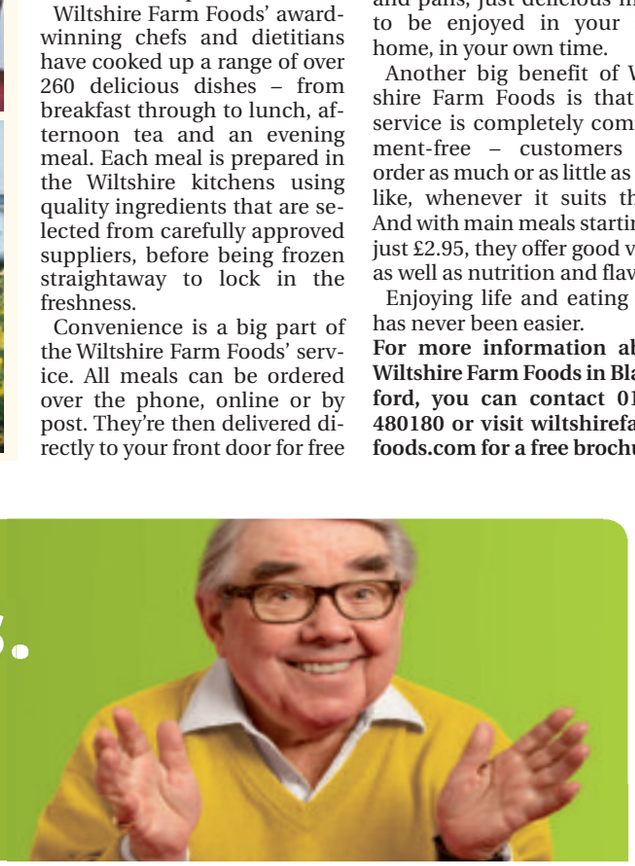

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Winchester Park, Feniton £825pcm

A superb brand new property in the superior Winchester Park development is now available for long term rental. This fine traditional style family home offers spacious 3 bedroom accommodation in delightful semi rural location and comprises: 3 good size bedrooms with en-suite to main bedroom, modern contemporary kitchen/family room, guest cloakroom, full gas central heating, enclosed rear garden, garage and additional parking. Conditions: No Pets, smokers or DSS.

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Clapper Lane, Honiton £975pcm

A very well presented family home offering 4 bed accommodation, walking distance from town centre. The property is presented in good decorative order throughout and comprises: 4 Bedrooms, fully fitted kitchen, cloakroom, family bathroom, new carpets throughout, enclosed rear garden, own driveway with gated aentrance, FGCH, double glazed. No smokers, DSS or pets.

Pine Gardens, Honiton £530pcm

A well presented 2 bed flat on the 2nd floor of purpose built block situated within walking distance of town centre. 2 bedrooms, good size lounge/diner, f/f kitchen, modern bathroom, parking, communal gardens. Long let available immediately. No pets, children, smokers or DSS. EPC band D.

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AXMINSTER £740 PCM

A 2/3 bedroom cottage. Large lounge. Galley kitchen. Utility room. Large family bathroom. Attic room. Gas C/H. Small courtyard. Pets considered. EPC rating E.

AXMINSTER £950 PCM

A large 6 bedroom farmhouse. Lounge. Dining room. Fitted kitchen. Office. 2 Bathrooms. 1 shower room. Garden. Parking. D/glazed. Oil fired C/H. EPC rating E.

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AXMINSTER £550 PCM

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SEATON £475 PCM

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SEATON £500 PCM

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SEATON £550 PCM

AN UNFURNISHED TOP FLOOR, TWO BEDROOM, APARTMENT. CONSISTS OF: COMMUNAL ENTRANCE; SECURE ENTRY SYSTEM; LIFT; PRIVATE ENTRANCE HALL; LOUNGE; BALCONY;KITCHEN;BATHROOM; ALLOCATED PARKING SPACE; DOUBLE GLAZED; ECONOMY 7 HEATING; EPC RATING:C.

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SEATON £625 PCM

A SPACIOUS, UNFURNISHED, TWO BEDROOM MAISONETT IN CONVENIENT LOCATION. PROPERTY CONSISTS: LOUNGE; FITTED KITCHEN/DINER; TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS; BATHROOM; GCH; DOUBLE GLAZING; ALLOCATED PARKING SPACE; EPC RATING D; SORRY NO PETS.

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A recently refurbished two bedroom terraced house within walking distance of Axminster town centre. Enclosed rear garden. Gas Fire. Parking space. Unfurnished.

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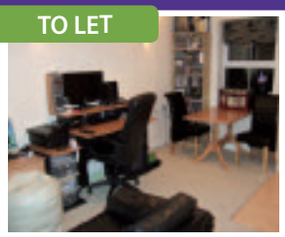

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£585 pcm • FEES APPLY

TO LET

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EPC C

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A first floor one bedroom flat located within easy walking distance of Bridport town centre. Spacious open-plan living area with modern Kitchenette. Bathroom and double size bedroom. Unfurnished.

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£550 pcm • FEES APPLY

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Thorncombe

A spacious accommodation within a period property in the sought after village of Thorncombe. The apartment has to offer a lounge, large bedroom and bathroom, fully furnished throughout, share use of the kitchen and use of the main house and gardens.

EPC COMMISSIONED

£500 pcm • FEES APPLY

All utilities are included in the rental price

TO LET

Axminster

A modern one bedroom house located on the edge of Axminster town centre. Open-plan living room with Kitchenette, Double size Bedroom, Bathroom. Gas Central Heating. Small open plan garden to front / side. Allocated Parking Space. Unfurnished.

EPC F

£480 pcm • FEES APPLY

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Axminster

A new build two bedroom Coach House located on the northern side of Axminster town. Hall, first floor open-plan Kitchen with white goods and Living / Dining Room, Bathroom. Gas central heating. Integrated air filtration system. Garage. Enclosed garden. Unfurnished.

£665 pcm • FEES APPLY

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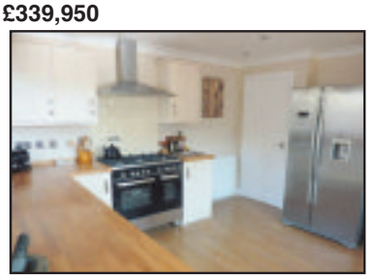

A beautifully presented two bedroom detached bungalow with views towards the sea and Axe Cliff. The current owners have renovated this property to a high standard including new boiler, plumbing, electrics and uPVC double glazing. Located in a sought after elevated location this property must be viewed to be fully appreciated. EPC rating D.

SEATON £175,000

Beautifully presented, Victorian, ground floor, 2 bedroom, apartment, within easy reach of the town centre and sea front with sea views. Small front garden. Thoroughly upgraded throughout retaining character features. Must be viewed internally. EPC rating D.

AXMOUTH £328,500

This charming detached property dates back to circa 1700 - 1750. Once two cottages the building is now all one and has been restored to a high standard by the owners keeping many original features.The cottage benefits from a very pretty terraced garden and off road parking. EPC rating E.

SEATON £227,000

Immaculate detached 2 bedroom coach house (master bedroom ensuite) with private garden and garage, built in 2003 by Midas Homes. Ideally located in a quiet 'tucked-away' cul-de-sac just off the Town Centre. EPC rating C.

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SEATON £199,950

A semi-detached three bedroom house situated on the Boundary Park estate towards the outskirts of the town with open Living and Dining Room and good size rear garden and parking. EPC rating D.

SEATON £122,000

NEW

A ground floor, one bedroom apartment for over 55's with direct access to the communal gardens from the Living Room. This apartment is one of only a few with an extra room adjacent to the Living Room, currently offering excellent storage facilities. EPC rating C.

SEATON £110,000

NEW

One bedroom, second floor apartment with a Juliet balcony for over 55's. This apartment is one of only a few with an extra storage room adjacent to the Living Room, currently used a study. EPC rating B.

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NEW

Seaton, Fine Family House with Stunning Views. £575,000

A fine and substantial family house offering up to six bedrooms on the outskirts of Seaton with south facing gardens and grounds amounting to just over a 1/3 of an acre with spectacular panoramic views and annexe potential. EPC rating E for the main home and B for the annexe.

Seaton, Attractive Four Bedroom Detached House. £335,000

No Chain. Attractive detached four bedroom family home set in quiet cul-de-sac location on the outskirts of the town. Garage and mature gardens. GCH. uPVC DG. EPC rating D.

Seaton, Brand New Penthouse Apartment. £295,000

Only two remaining, of three superb brand new penthouse apartments offering rural and sea views located in outstanding landscaped gardens and grounds. Onsite Parking. EPC rating B.

Colyton, 3/4 Bedroom Edwardian House. £209,950

An attractive particularly spacious four bedroom Edwardian house retaining its character features including fine period fireplaces, staircase and panel doors. Outside is a courtyard garden and a garage. EPC rating F.

Seaton, Attractive Detached Bungalow. £245,000

A most attractive detached two bedroom bungalow located in a quiet cul-de-sac and a convenient level distance from the town centre and beach. Integral garage. Landscaped gardens to the rear. uPVC DG. GFCH. EPC rating D.

Seaton, Four Bedroom Mid Terrace House. £194,950

A four bedroom mid terrace house, kitchen, two reception rooms, enclosed garden to the rear and an allocated parking space. EPC rating C.

Seaton, Central Town House. £229,500

A most attractive town house with flexible and spacious accommodation in a quiet cul-de-sac in the centre of Seaton and close to all amenities and the beach. The accommodation includes three bedrooms, living room with balcony, a dining/kitchen,and integral garage. There is a south facing patio garden. EPC rating C.

Beer, Beautifully Presented Four Bedroom Home. £335,000

A beautifully presented and spacious four bedroom semi detached home constructed in the 1930's with attractive character features. Gardens, garage, garage/workshop and additional parking. EPC rating E.

Seaton, One Bedroom Apartment. £89,950

A ground floor apartment located in a quiet position in a most attractive Victorian terrace house at the heart of Seaton. Attractive period features, bedroom, living room with galley kitchen, bathroom, communal gardens and rear courtyard provides a bin storage area. EPC rating D.

Colyton, Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow. £299,950

A spacious detached three bedroom bungalow located in a quiet tucked away position providing spacious and flexible accommodation. Excellent sized gardens, an attached garage and additional onsite parking. EPC rating C.

Beer, Three Bedroom Character Apartment. £335,000

A superb and beautifully presented ground floor three bedroom character apartment with spacious and flexible accommodation with most appealing views over the village and Lyme Bay. Courtyard garden, roof terrace and parking. EPC rating F.

TO LET

Colyton, Town Centre Cottage. £625 pcm

A period mid terrace cottage located at the heart of Colyton and convenient for all the town centre amenities. The accommodation includes two bedrooms and a bathroom on the first floor, a living room and kitchen on the ground floor together with the courtyard and studio. Gas fired central heating. Available now. Furnished or unfurnished. Fees apply. EPC rating E.

TO LET

Seaton, Town Centre Apartment. £650 pcm

A stylishly presented two bedroom first floor apartment in the heart of Seaton which has been created from a Grade II listed building. Living room, kitchen with appliances, two bathrooms and allocated parking. EPC rating C. Fees Apply.

TO LET

Colyford, Detached Three Bedroom Bungalow. £850 pcm

A detached three bedroom bungalow with double garage, additional vehicle parking and enclosed gardens. Three bedrooms, bathroom, separate w.c, L-shaped living room, kitchen and a small conservatory. DG. GFCH. EPC rating E.

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LEA COMBE

This 2 bedroom detached house is located within a short walk of Axminster town centre and offers good sized living accommodation, garage, parking & large rear garden. Accommodation comprises: entrance porch, entrance hallway, lounge/dining room, kitchen, utility area, conservatory, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, large rear garden, parking & garage. EPC Rating: D. **£195,000**

WILLHAYES PARK

A semi-detached two bedroom bungalow situated within a convenient location only a short walk from all the local amenities of the town centre. The property has been redecorated and benefits from gas central heating, Upvc double glazing, single garage and driveway with parking and an enclosed garden to the rear. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. EPC D. **£174,950**

AXMINSTER

Situated on a large corner plot this well presented brick built three storey town house, benefits from a conservatory extension landscaped gardens and fully fitted master bedroom with en-suite. The well planned and spacious accommodation with gas fired central heating and double glazing comprises, entrance hall, cloakroom, bay fronted lounge, conservatory/dining room, kitchen breakfast rooms, 2 bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor with master bedroom with en-suite shower room on the second floor. Summer house and shed, 2 allocated parking spaces. Viewing highly recommended. **£209,950**

SMALLRIDGE - £399,950

REDUCED

This substantial 5 bedroom detached home benefits from a quiet location in a sought after village situated just outside of Axminster enjoying rural valley views to the front elevation and adjoining open countryside at the rear. Accommodation comprises: Entrance Porch, spacious Reception Hall, Cloak/Shower room, Sitting room, Dining room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility room, master Bedroom with En – Suite Shower room, 4 further Bedrooms, Bathroom, integral double Garage, private front & rear Gardens. EPC rating D. **£399,950**

OLD SMITHY - £299,995

Full of character features this unique former 'smithy' has its versatile accommodation arranged mainly on the ground floor and therefore providing bungalow style living with a guest bedroom and bathroom on the first floor. Providing parking, garage/workshop and delightful gardens and featuring a spring fed pond. Accommodation comprises: storm canopy, dining room, spacious kitchen/breakfast room, living room, conservatory, bedroom 1, double bedroom 2/study, bedroom 3 with en-suite, purpose built upvc double glazed conservatory, level landscaped rear garden, garage, cloakroom and workshop. Viewing highly recommended. EPC tbc. **£299,995**

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This beautifully presented detached bungalow is situated in a quiet location on the favoured western side of Seaton.

Seaton

OIEO£375,000

Beautifully presented detached home situated in a sought after cul-de-sac location. Comprises four bedrooms including a master suite with dressing room and en-suite.

Beer

OIEO£280,000

Situated in the beautiful picturesque village of Beer, this semi detached property offers spacious accommodation with excellent views of the surrounding countryside, off road parking and gardens.

Beer

£275,000

Built in 1504, this two bedroom cottage is part of the former manor house and is the oldest remaining dwelling in the village today. The manor of Beer was once owned by Henry VIII and was gifted by him.

Beer

OIEO£265,000

Situated in the popular picturesque village of Beer, is this beautifully presented end terraced property. Comprises three bedrooms, two reception rooms, shower room and garden.

Seaton

£230,000

In need of a little modernisation, this detached bungalow is perfectly positioned to make the most of the sea and countryside views on offer.

Seaton

£230,000

In need of some modernisation this four bedroom detached property is perfect for anyone looking for a project or an investment opportunity.

Seaton

£200,000

Three double bedroom semi detached property comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen, front and rear gardens, carport, off road parking and no chain.

New Cut

£185,000

Situated in the heart of the picturesque seaside village of Beer, this two bedroom, ground floor apartment is perfect for anyone looking for an additional holiday residence or an investment property.

Seaton

£160,000

Two bedroom townhouse ideally located close to the seafont. Comprises lounge, kitchen with integrated appliances, bathroom and rear courtyard. Also benefits from gas central heating.

Seaton

£130,000

Recently modernised by the current owners this immaculately presented apartment is perfect for anyone looking for ease of maintenance. Situated close to Seaton Town Centre.

Seaton

£118,000

This ground floor apartment has been modernised by the current owners and has access out to the communal gardens via the lounge. Comprises two bedrooms and recently re-fitted kitchen.

Seaton

£115,000

Ground floor retirement apartment. Situated on the ground floor, this one bedroom apartment is ideal for anyone looking to be close to the local amenities in Seaton Town Centre.

Harbour Road

£110,000

The property offers two double bedrooms, a light and spacious lounge/diner, kitchen and bathroom.

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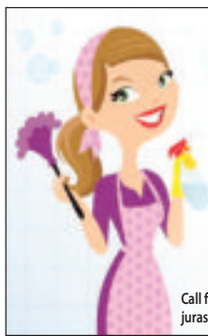

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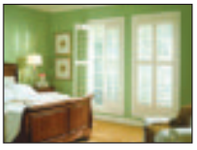

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The BMW 1 Series For 2015

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NEARLY two million 1 Series models have been sold since the introduction of the first 1 Series generation ten years ago. This latest incarnation builds on the winning formula of these three- and five-door predecessors with new power units from the latest BMW engine family, additional EfficientDynamics technologies fitted as standard, and careful enhancements to the exterior and interior design.

The level of standard equipment is now even higher, new options have been added and with new mobility services from BMW ConnectedDrive, there are even more ways to increase the functionality and personalisation of the new 1 Series.

Design

The proportions, lines and surface design of the new BMW 1 Series bear all the classical hallmarks of a BMW with its set-back passenger compartment, long bonnet and short overhangs, in particular, give it a uniquely sporting presence. The new car features subtle but key differences to refine yet further the overall package. At the front, a new lower apron with larger air intakes and a horizontal bar combines with reshaped BMW kidney grilles and new headlamps that feature LED daytime driving lights as standard on all models. For the first time, full LED headlamps with low and main beam have been added to the options list, with Adaptive LED headlamps a further option. These follow the path of the road ahead, and also adapt their beam according to the type of road and conditions at any given moment. At the rear, new tail lamps with a familiar BMW 'L' shape design adopt striking LED technology.

The driver-focused cockpit of the new BMW 1 Series is an even more welcoming, sporty, comfortable place to sit, thanks to enhancements to the design, and the materials and fabrics used. In particular, there's a new cloth fabric for the seats.

The BMW Radio Professional and iDrive operating system continues to be standard across the entire range so all new 1 Series models feature the freestanding, 6.5-inch Control Display, the controller wheel mounted on the centre console, and the direct menu control and favourites buttons. If the optional Professional Navigation system is fitted, the Controller comes with a larger, touch-sensitive surface for inputting numbers and characters, while the onboard monitor takes the form of an 8.8-inch display of particularly slim design.

The controls arranged below the Control Display have also benefited from detailed refinements. Both the air vents and the controls for the radio and the automatic air conditioning now feature high-quality chrome surrounds. The radio and automatic air conditioning keypads, meanwhile, are set against high-gloss black panelling.

Engines: a new power unit family

The new BMW 1 Series sees the introduction of powerplants from the BMW Group's new engine family, plus an expansion of the standard-fit BMW EfficientDynamics technology.

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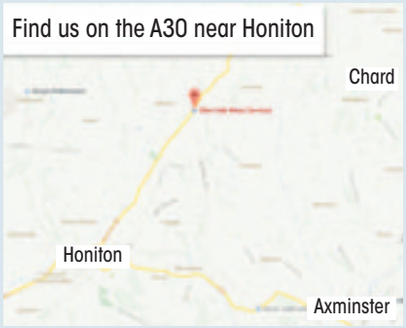

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Lyme Regis	15	33
Henry's Cronies	13	32
Woodbury	14	29
Chagford	16	28
Exeter University 5ths	13	28
Clyst Valley Res	17	19
Cheriton Fitzpaine	15	18
Tedburn St Mary	11	14
Axmouth Utd	12	13
Thorverton Res	15	12
Exmouth Amateurs Res	11	11
Pinhoe	16	9
Axminster Town Res	18	9*

D&E Division Four	Pld	Pts
Countess Wear Dynamos	17	32
St Martins Res	12	28
Morchard Bishop	14	28
Langdon	12	28
Okehampton Argyle Res	14	28
Lapford	12	27
Bampton	14	23
Bow AAC Res	13	16
Lords XI	14	15
Amory Park Rangers	11	12
Westexe Rovers Res	16	12*
Newton St Cyres	16	11
Newtown 3rds	16	9*
Awliscombe Utd	14	8

D&E Division Five	Pld	Pts
Fluxton	14	35
Sandford	13	30
Otterton	18	30
Sampford Peverell	15	29
Uplowman Athletic	15	28
Halwill Res	14	21
Feniton Res	16	21
Honiton Town Res	12	20
Priory	10	15
Hatherleigh Town Res	15	14
Starcross Generals	13	13
Winkleigh	10	12
Stoke Hill	16	8
Ilminster Town Res	15	7

D&E Division Six	Pld	Pts
Ottery St Mary	16	46
Kentisbeare	14	31
Alphington 3rds	12	27
Newton St Cyres Res	17	26
Beer Albion Res	17	26
Railway Club	15	24
Dunkeswell Rovers	16	24
Woodbury Res	14	21
Exwick Village	13	18
Silverton	12	18
East Budleigh Res	19	18
Bradninch	19	11
Langdon Res	14	9
Seaton Town Res	16	4

D&E Division Seven	Pld	Pts
South Zeal Utd	12	36
Whipton & Pinhoe	11	30
Hemyock Res	15	25
Winchester	9	24
Cheriton Fitzpaine Res	16	20
Elmore 3rds	12	18
Offwell Rangers	14	17
Alphington 4ths	14	16
Central FC	13	16
Pinhoe Res	13	14
Chagford Res	11	14
Tivvy Park Rangers	8	11
Lympstone Res	14	6*
Amory Green Rangers	12	0

D&E Division Eight	Pld	Pts
St Martins 3rds	17	38*
Culm Utd Res	12	36
Wellington Town 3rds	13	30
Colyton Res	15	26
Sidmouth Town 3rds	16	23
Ottery St Mary Res	17	17
Bampton Res	14	16
Open Space International	9	14
Bickleigh Res	10	13
Sandford Res	13	12
Lapford Res	10	11
Moretonhampstead Res	15	11
Tedburn St Mary Res	13	8
Feniton 3rds	14	8

South-West Peninsula League

AXMINSTER TOWN 1 BUDLEIGH SALT 5

AXMINSTER Town remain rooted to the foot of the South-West Peninsula League table after visitors Budleigh Salterton consigned them to an eighth consecutive defeat.

"We had a few players missing, but it doesn't hide the fact that we just didn't play well enough on the day," said joint manager Keith Somers.

Budleigh were 2-0 up at half-time and doubled their lead before Pete Knox pulled one back with his eighth goal of the season.

But the visitors had the last word as they restored their four-goal cushion.

Sunday's **Axminster Hospital** Cup-tie between Axminster Town and Lyme Regis at Cloakham Lawns was postponed.

Next up for Ax is Saturday's visit by Totnes & Dartington (at Feniton, 2.15ko).

Sidmouth Town also tasted defeat as they went down 7-3 in a goal-fest at Marshford against hosts Appledore who move up into second place as a result.

The Vikings will hope for better, but may have their hands full again, when they visit third placed Galmpton United at the weekend.

D&E LEAGUE REPORTS

Seaton Town 1 Beer Albion 1

Premier Division

IN front of a large crowd at Colyford Road, Seaton Town and Beer Albion shared the spoils in a closely-contested local derby.

The game took a while to spark into life, both sides appearing somewhat overawed by the occasion. The crowd had to wait until the 20th minute for the first real threat on goal and it came from Beer's Chris Long whose clean strike from 20 yards fizzed just wide.

Beer were now starting to press and a free kick from Long was headed over by John Cooper.

The Seasiders were however starting to exploit space down both flanks caused by Beer's narrow midfield and defensive line-up and keeper Steve Jones had to be alert first to save a Josh French lob on 30 minutes and to tip a fierce shot over the bar.

Back came Beer who closed the first half strongly and Joe Adkin's downward header was scrambled off the line by the Seaton defence.

In a much more exciting second half, Beer adjusted their formation with wing-backs Sam Phillips and Josh Harrison providing more width.

The Fishermen were now enjoying their best spell of the game with some direct incisive football and took the lead on 60 minutes when a Long free-kick was tucked away by James Melville beating Seaton keeper Mark Rooke's despairing dive.

As in recent weeks Beer had opportunities to increase their lead but failed to press home the advantage.

Then, Seaton fought their way back into the contest. On 78 minutes, Jones made a fine save at full stretch to keep out French's free-kick. Minutes later Jones was in action tipping a fierce shot over the bar.

Frenchthen struck a fierce shot which Jones pushed on to the underside of the crossbar and then blocked the rebound with another save.

With less than 10 minutes to go, and for the third game in a row, Beer conceded a late penalty.

Then dramatically on 89 minutes Seaton equalised as Beer conceded a late goal for the third successive game. French floated a free kick into a crowded six-yard box which Jones was unable to punch away under pressure and Seaton skipper Michael Hancock bundled the ball home.

EXETER UNIVERSITY 5THS 7
AXMINSTER TOWN RES 1

Division Three

TOP scorer Matt Hewer's fifth goal of the season couldn't save Axminster Town Reserves from a hefty 7-1 defeat at Exeter University.

Despite the score line, Ax manager Ray Self felt his troops were by far the better side in the first-half.

But a Dom Tait own goal and a second Uni strike just before the interval proved to be decisive.

The Tigers continued to press for the next 20 minutes before the floodgates opened and individual mistakes were punished as the hosts eased 7-0 ahead before Hewer's late consolation.

Beer Albion Res 3 Langdon Res 1

Division Six

BEER Reserves continued their good run with a comfortable 3-1 victory over Langdon 2nds at the Furzebrake.

Beer led 1-0 at half time through a Simon Smith goal after striker Robert Adkin's header was saved.

Langdon equalised at the start of the second half only for Beer to restore their lead a minute later through Adam Brewer.

Leading scorer, Robert Adkin scored Beer's 3rd goal to seal the victory for the Fishermen.

After the game player-manager, Simon Smith, was delighted that his side were finding form again after an indifferent run towards the end of 2014.

He felt his promising young side achieved this victory without being too-stretched and singled out the outstanding performances of "veterans" Robert and Martin Adkin.

Round-up *with Collin Goodwin*

WHIPTON & PINHOE are through to the East area final of the Devon Intermediate cup after they beat fifth division SANDFORD 4-3 with a last minute extra time penalty.

W & P only reformed again this season but the Division 7 side won a great tie when Dexter Booth scored the winner from the spot, his second goal. Ryan Crocker and Dean Voaden, who was red-carded before half-time, also scored which made the result even more remarkable.

The other semi final between TIVVY PARK RANGERS and KENTISBEARE was postponed until next Saturday.

SIDBURY UNITED stole the show in Premier as they beat HEAVITREE UNITED 1-0 courtesy of an 80th minute Dan Churchill strike.

Leaders TIVERTON TOWN drew 2-2 at FENITON whose keeper Chris May was man of the match with a late penalty save and another acrobatic top-corner stop.

Danny Lewis and a Charlie Selley penalty earned Feniton a point. Danny Jones and Jesse Howe scored for the Yellows whose Adam Wakley was red-carded.

ELMORE won 4-0 at BUDLEIGH SALTERTON and dominated the game scoring through Jon Dawe, Callum Old, Jordan Copp and Matt Atkins.

NEWTON ST CYRES moved within a point of top spot in Division One with a 3-1 victory at EXMOUTH AMATEURS. Sam Johnson 2 and a Callum Stone penalty won it for the Cyres.

HEAVITREE UNITED are off the basement rung for the first time after despatching WITHERIDGE 4-0. A Scott Jones hat-trick and Stacey Thorpe supplied the goods.

EXETER UNIVERSITY 3RDS beat EAST BUDLEIGH 5-0, and their 4TH team won the only game played in Division Two, Josh Higgins getting four goals in a 7-1 lashing of HEMYOCK. Darren Ofoe netted twice.

To complete the treble the UNIVERSITY 5THS also won 7-1 at home to AXMINSTER TOWN in Division Three, with Pierce Bennett getting a brace.

CHAGFORD won a thriller against TEDBURN ST MARY 4-3, Josh Stanbury 2, Euan Stone and Robbie Miller scoring for the home side. Darren Hughes struck twice for the Teds.

LYME REGIS moved back to second placer after a 5-1 win at CLYST VALLEY, two goals coming in the first two minutes. Mark Bailey (2, 1pen), Dom Rowe, Matt Laing and Joe Bond were Lyme's marksmen.

WOODBURY settled for a 1-0 win against THORVERTON with Dan Tapp getting their goal.

Four matches in Division Four but only one winner, leaders COUNTESS WEAR DYNAMOES edging AMORY PARK RANGERS 2-1.

ST MARTINS drew 2-2 against LORDS after going two down. Matt Anderson and Jake Brock netted the Saints goals.

Division Five leaders FLUXTON won a cracking match against UPLOWMAN 3-1, Olly and Alex Paget and Hayden Figures scoring. Jordan O'Leary replied.

HALWILL stormed STARCROSS GENERALS 9-3 with Jon Knight and Sam Stockdale getting hat-tricks. Singles came from Thomas Ogbourne, Ryan Hauerslav and Matt Thornley.

Goal machine Kev Pitt had both goals as OTTERTON beat STOKE HILL 2-0.

Division Six leaders OTTERY ST MARY won 2-0 against WOODBURY, Connor Swingler and Jonny Beer scoring.

Brad Morris struck twice for DUNKESWELL 4-1 winners against BRADNINCH, and Adam Kefford also scored twice for NEWTON ST CYRES in their 2-2 draw at SILVERTON. Adrian Selway and Jamie O'Connor scored for the Silvers.

SOUTH ZEAL won 9-3 against CENTRAL in the only Division Seven game played.

In Division Eight the referee refused to start the match between TEDBURN ST MARY and COLYTON as the pitch was frozen.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP
EAST AREA SEMI-FINALS
Whipton & Pinhoe 4, Sandford 3.
SOUTH AREA SEMI-FINALS
AFC Staverton 4, Barton Ath 0.

FRESHA DEVON & EXETER PREMIER
Budleigh Salterton 0, Elmore 4.
Feniton 2, Tiverton Town 2.
Seaton Town 1, Beer Albion 1.
Sidbury Utd 1, Heavitree Utd 0.
DIVISION ONE
Exmouth Amats 1, Newton St C 3.
Heavitree United 4, Witheridge 0.
University 5, East Budleigh 0.
DIVISION TWO
University 7, Hemyock 1.
DIVISION THREE
Chagford 4, Tedburn St Mary 3.
Clyst Valley 1, Lyme Regis 5.
University 7, Axminster Town 1.
Woodbury 1, Thorverton 0.
DIVISION FOUR
Countess Wear 2, Amory Park 1.
Newtown 2, North Tawton 2.
Okehampton 0, Westexe Rov 0.
St Martins 2, Lords XI 2.
DIVISION FIVE
Fluxton 3, Uplowman Athletic 1.
Halwill 9, Starcross Generals 3.
Otterton 2, Stoke Hill 0.
Priory 1, Hatherleigh Town 1.
Sampford Peverell 4, Feniton 0.
DIVISION SIX
Beer Albion 3, Langdon 1.
Dunkeswell Rov 4, Bradninch 1.
East Budleigh 1, Alphington 6.
Ottery St Mary 2, Woodbury 0.
Silverton 2, Newton St Cyres 2.
DIVISION SEVEN
South Zeal 9, Central 3.
DIVISION EIGHT
Sidmouth Town 1, St Martins 2.
All other matches postponed

FIXTURES
DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP
EAST AREA SEMI-FINAL
Tivvy Park Rangers v Kentisbeare.

PREMIER
Bow AAC v Seaton Town
Budleigh Salterton v Newtown
Elmore v Willand Rovers
Feniton v University
Hatherleigh Town v Chard Town
Heavitree United v Topsham Town
Sidbury United v Beer Albion
DIVISION ONE
Alphington v Heavitree United
Bickleigh v Westexe Rovers
Clyst Valley v Wellington Town
Exmouth Amateurs v Honiton Town
Exwick Villa v East Budleigh
Lympstone v Witheridge
Newton St Cyres v University
DIVISION TWO
Chulmleigh v Colyton
Newton Poppleford v Cullompton Rang
Sidmouth Town v Hemyock
Tipton St John v Crediton United
Topsham Town v Newtown
University v Halwill
Upottery v Culm United
DIVISION THREE
Chagford v Axmouth United
Henry's Cronies v Clyst Valley
Pinhoe v Exmouth Town
Tedburn St Mary v Axminster Town
Thorverton v Exmouth Amateurs
University v Lyme Regis
Woodbury v Cheriton Fitzpaine
DIVISION FOUR
Amory Park Rangers v Bow AAC
Awliscombe United v Newtown
Countess Wear v Lapford
North Tawton v Langdon
St Martins v Okehampton Argyle
Westexe Rovers v Morchard Bishop
DIVISION FIVE
Fluxton v Sampford Peverell
Halwill v Winkleigh
Honiton Town v Feniton
Ilminster Town v Priory
Sandford v Otterton
Starcross Generals v Uplowman Athletic
Stoke Hill v Hatherleigh Town
DIVISION SIX
Alphington v Railway Club
Beer Albion v Bradninch
East Budleigh v Ottery St Mary
Langdon v Dunkeswell Rovers
Newton St Cyres v Woodbury
Seaton Town v Silverton
DIVISION SEVEN
Central v Winchester
Hemyock v Chagford
Offwell Rangers v Alphington
South Zeal Utd v Pinhoe
Whipton & Pinhoe v Amory Green
DIVISION EIGHT
Colyton v Open Space International
Culm United v Bampton
Lapford v Sandford
Moretonhampstead v Tedburn St Mary
Ottery St Mary v Bickleigh
St Martins v Feniton
BILL SLEE CUP
Bampton v Dawlish United

PERRY STREET LEAGUE

By Howard Larcombe

A 3-1 win at Forton Rangers keeps MILLWEY RISE firmly on course for a return to the Premier Division.

Justin James put Forton ahead but Keith Forsey equalised just before the interval.

Rise, now kicking down the slope, moved ahead through a Leo Maguire strike and Mark Pike made the points safe for Millwey who could even afford to see a penalty saved from new skipper Haydn Lewis.

FARWAY UNITED's scheduled trip to face Lyme Regis Bantams was postponed.

The HAWKCHURCH UNITED v Thorncombe Reserves local derby was a one-sided affair with the Hawks swooping to a 6-0 win.

Gavin Herrod opened the scoring in the 35th minute to give the hosts a slender lead at the break. Hawks manager Martin Bright said: "It should have been more - but we were guilty of missing some good chances and the keeper played well."

The second half was a different tale with Jamie Harris (2), Andy Dymond (2) and Luke Harding all cashing in.

MILLWEY RISE RESERVES remain marooned four points adrift at the bottom of the Division Three table after they conceded six for the second time in a week.

The Rise highlight in the 6-1 reverse was a goal from Alex Rockett who was making a welcome return after a long injury lay-off.

Finally, Down in Division Four FARWAY UNITED RESERVES were on the wrong end of a league double as they were beaten 5-1 at Crewkerne Rangers Reserves. Stuart Selway bagged the consolation with his fifth goal of the season.

RESULTS – January 17th
DIVISION ONE
Chard Utd 3 Luso-Chard 1
Forton Rangers 1 Millwey Rise 3
DIVISION TWO
Combe A 3 Crewkerne Rangers 5
Crewkerne Res 3 Charmouth 1
Drimpton 2 Uplyme 1
Thorncombe 9 Ilminster A 0
Waytown Hounds 5 Beaminster Res 1
DIVISION THREE
Hawkchurch Utd 6 Thorncombe Res 0
Merriott Dyn 1 Chard Utd Res 3
Millwey Rise Res 1 Kingsbury 6
Shepton Res 2 Barrington Res 3
DIVISION FOUR
Chard Utd Allstars 2 Hinton 10
Crewk Rang Res 5 Farway Utd Res 1
Uplyme Res 0 Merriott Rovers 6
Winsham Res 4 Chard Rangers Res 1
(All other games postponed)

FIXTURES – January 24th *(2pm ko)*
BILL BAILEY CUP – R1
Dowlish & Donyatt v Chard Rangers
Hawkchurch Utd v Chard Utd Res
Kingsbury v Merriott Dynamos
KEN HODGES CUP – R1
Combe B v Uplyme Res
Hinton v Drimpton Res
PREMIER
Crewkerne Town v Perry Street
Misterton v Ilminster Town Colts
W & M Chinnock v Combe Res
DIVISION ONE
Barrington v Forton Rangers
Pymore v Farway Utd
Winsham Utd v Netherbury
DIVISION TWO
Beaminster Res v Thorncombe
Drimpton v Crewkerne Rangers
Ilminster Town A v Combe A
Uplyme v Crewkerne Town Res
DIVISION THREE
Millwey Rise Res v Shepton Beau Res
Thorncombe Res v South Pethn Res
DIVISION FOUR
Chard Rangers Res v Farway Utd Res
Merriott Rovers v Crewk Rangers Res

bowls news

Good starts for Ax and Honiton

AXMINSTER *with David Harris*

The Club started the year with mixed fortunes but managed to win four of the seven matches played.

The Ladies did well winning both of their matches - first 38-26 at home against the DEVON PATRONS with wins for Jean Kesterton, Alison Glyde, Ann Clayton and Margaret Crompton (20-17) and Pam Clark, Jo Barnish, Jan Parsons and Judith Moffitt (18-9) and then 67-64 against SIDMOUTH at home with wins for Sheila Cox, Angela Rattenbury, Jan Parsons and Judith Moffitt (31-15) and Pam Hunter, Margaret Ball, Alison Glyde and Margaret Crompton (25-14).

The men were unlucky to lose a friendly 57-58 at home to SIDMOUTH with wins for Andy Curtis, Alan Foster, Doug Hislop and Bob Sherborne (25-18) and Brian Downton, Derek Pheby, Jack Wakeley and Brian Clark (20-18).

The men then lost their Devon County Over 60s match against MADEIRA CLUB 69-95 despite good wins for the home rink of Arther Stone, Roger Legg, Paul Moffitt and John Gough and the away rink of John Packham, Tony Payne, Howard Keep and Eric Skeemer (25-19).

In the mixed friendlies we started with an excellent 86-31 home win against the NOMADS with wins for Phil White, Les Clark, David Harris and Margaret Crompton (38-4) and Pam Hunter, Margaret Brown, Gerald Knott and Steven Apsey (33-10) before going on to beat BRIDPORT 93-29 at home with wins on all rinks - Pam Hunter, Barbara Mowatt, David Harris and Bob Sherborne (47-8), Steven Apsey, John Hill, Doug Hislop and Malcolm Denslow (26-10) and Joan Quick, Ken Quick, Jack Wakeley and Margaret Crompton (20-11).

We then lost 46-56 at home to OTTERY ST MARY with only Pam Hunter, Andy Curtis, John Hill, and Margaret Crompton managing a win.

HONITON *with Ann Brown*

HONITON bowlers have had another busy week. The friendlies included wins against OTTERY ST MARY 107-65, EXONIA 88-65 with a top rink of Di Hawkins, Daphne Courtney, Linda Gadd and Heather Chambers 30-12 and against ISCA 57-46 with a top rink of Ann Hillyear, Bob Mackintosh and George Kille 15-8.

On Wednesday the club entertained the DEVON VICE PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION who proved a little too strong winning 88-70 our top rink was B.Braund, Fred Dart, George Kille and David Evans.

cribbage honiton

Results; Blacksmith Arms 3 Vine Inn B 5, Feniton Soc A 6 Feniton Soc B 2, Honiton Inn A 5 Workingmens B 3, London Hotel 6 Thirsty Farmer 2, Vine Inn A 4 Honiton Inn B 4, Workingmens A 4 New Fountain 4.

Captains Cup: Audrey Hawkins 0 Rita Freemantle 1, Brian Morrison 0 Brenda Flood 1, Julie Bath 1 Maureen Pendrick 0, Lorraine White 1 Lionel Hawkins 0, Mike Dent 0 Julie Davis 1, Steve Pettitt 0 Hedley Hawkins 1.

Fixtures (January 22nd); Feniton Soc B v London Hotel, Honiton Inn A v Blacksmith Arms, New Fountain v Feniton Soc A, Thirsty Farmer v Vine Inn A, Vine Inn B v Workingmens A, Workingmens B v Honiton Inn B.

Table	Pld	Pts
Vine Inn A	17	72
Feniton Social B	17	71
Thirsty Farmer	17	71
Workingmens A	17	70
Feniton Social A	17	70
Honiton Inn B	17	69
Blacksmiths Arms	17	68
Honiton Inn A	17	67
Workingmens B	17	66
London Hotel	17	65
New Fountain	17	64
Vine Inn B	17	63

Captains Cup	Pld	Pts
R.Freemantle	17	12
B.Flood	17	12
J.Bath	17	10
L.Hawkins	17	9
B.Morrison	17	9
J.Davis	17	9
H.Hawkins	17	8
L.White	17	8
A.Hawkins	17	7
M.Dent	17	7
S.Pettitt	17	6
M.Pendrick	17	5

netball honiton league

Otters edge top two clash

THE First week of fixtures after Christmas were disrupted by bad weather only the two matches played at Colyton.

The top two teams were in action against each other with Otters hoping to maintain their 100 per cent record whilst Uplowman were hoping for a victory to put them on top of the table.

With Tracey Moran playing well for Otters at centre they took the first quarter 9-6 before extending their lead to18-13 at half way.

The third quarter went goal for goal with Uplowman trailing 21-26 going into the final period.

Emma Burroughs at GD for Uplowman kept the Otters attack at bay and the Uplowman attack closed in on the deficit but the Otters held on to win 32-31.

The other game played saw Flamingos move up to third by virtue of their 47-16 win over lowly JD Tyres who are still looking for their first win of the season.

With Trish Warwick playing well, the Flamingos led from the start and never looked back although Tanya Broom worked hard in attack for JD.

Division One	Pld	GD	Pts
Otters	7	93	21
Uplowman	9	124	18
Flamingos	7	96	16
Hi Q	6	70	15
Tip Top Trees	7	-144	4
JD Tyres	8	-239	2

Division One	Pld	GD	Pts
Signs South West	6	105	18
Otter Valley	7	39	17
Sidmouth Toucans	6	14	12
Howden Hawks	7	-2	12
A&P Pixies	8	-118	8
Blackdown Ladies	6	-38	6

short-mat bowls axe valley

LEAGUE CUP: Could all clubs register their interest with Caroline Pavey as soon as possible if they wish to enter the League Cup. This is open to any club in the league.

Evening Div 1	P	SD	Pts
Sidbury	7	96	10
Awliscombe	6	121	9
Beer	7	116	8
Colyton	7	39	7
Seaton Cliff	7	-120	6
Musbury	6	-32	5
Sidford	6	-145	4
Upottery	6	-75	3

Evening Div 2	P	SD	Pts
West Hill	8	155	14
Ottery St Mary	8	42	10
Awliscombe B	8	26	8
Membury	8	-44	8
Colyton B	7	-1	7
Sidbury Whites	7	3	6
Sidbury Reds	7	-7	5
Uffculme	7	-174	2

Afternoon Div 1	P	SD	Pts
Colyton	7	81	11
Beer	7	137	9
Upottery	7	58	8
Awliscombe	6	87	7
Seaton Cliff B	7	-50	6
Sidford	7	-124	4
Seaton Cliff D	7	-189	3

Afternoon Div 2	P	SD	Pts
St Teresa's	6	180	9
Lyme Regis	6	-29	8
Musbury	6	13	7
Hemyock	6	40	6
Chard B	6	47	5
Seaton Cliff A	6	-110	4
Combe St Nich A	6	-141	3

Afternoon Div 3	P	SD	Pts
Ottery St Mary	6	123	9
Hemyock B	6	48	9
Colyton B	5	-3	5
Combe St Nic B	5	-70	4
Seaton Cliff C	5	-14	3
Chard A	5	-84	2

skittles around the leagues

AXMINSTER LEAGUE

Ellis Shield R2; New Inn A 271 Old Inn Kilm A 259.

Division One; Sidmouth Arms 414 (N Parris 82) Ax Con Rebels 406 (V Trott 79), Gerrard A 313 (G Richards 58) Lamb Spartans 316 (C Miller 57), Colcombe A 369 (J Williams 69) The Feds 367 (L Tooze 69) Lamb A 328 (G Smith 65) Old Kilm A 331 (M Collier, R Mear 58) Thorncombe B 353 (M Turner 63) Thorn Drifters 328 (C Wyatt, P Waller 58) Green Army 344 (G Kent 72) Red Devils 355 (D Huntley 67) Red Lion D 397 (D Herbert 81) B & Gs 439 (G Wake 94).

Division Two; Thorncombe C 368 (C Ellis 64) Thorncombe A 347 (N Hawker 68) Ax Inn Jokers 305 (A Churchill 62) New Inn A 322 (M Williamson 60) Red Lion C 358 (J Legg 66) Ax Con B 393 (D Sloman 75) Hawk Halfcuts 356 (I Strawbridge 65) Tuckers B 371 (K Gigg 76).

Division Three; Tuckers Y 346 (M Searle 65) Red Lion B 366 (A Beer 80) New Inn C 369 (R Webb 76) Bottle Inn 308 (M Bartlett, M Bright 56) WH Warriors 330 (R Upright 64) Colcombe B 346 (K Wyatt 61) Tuckers Maggots 371 (C Hembrow 77) Old Hawk IV 408 (A Sphinx 78) Ax Inn B 352 (T Hoad jnr 71) George @ Lamb 310 (D Chaplin 66).

Division Four; Colcombe Nomads 368 (R Fielder 73) Ax Inn A 387 (S Fifer 79) Lamb 49rs 283 (B Cross 54) Seaton BC 301 (D Milland 55) Ship Rotary 347 (J Brennan 63) Winston Wobblers 346 New Inn Hawks 306 (D George 56) Gerrard C 329 (V Price 59).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Red Lion RD	15	28
Thorn Drifters	15	20
Lamb Spartans	15	18
Thorncombe B	15	18
B & Gs	15	16
Lamb A	15	16
Sidmouth Arms	15	16
Ax Con Rebels	15	14
The Feds	15	14
Green Army	15	12
Colcombe A	15	10
Red Lion D	15	10
Old Inn Kilm A	15	10
Gerrard A	15	8

Division Two	Pld	Pts
WH Wilm A	14	21
Tuckers C	13	20
Tuckers B	15	18
Axe Inn Jokers	15	17
Thorncombe A	15	16
Hawk Halfcuts	15	16
Gerrard D	14	16
Ax Con Club B	15	14
New Inn Kilm A	15	12
Cloakham Stars	13	12
Thorncombe C	15	11
Red Lion C	14	10
Old Inn Kilm B	14	8
Kings Arms A	11	7

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Wooton Cowboys	14	24
New Inn Kilm C	15	22
Tuckers Maggots	15	20
Gerrard B	14	20
Red Lion B	15	18
Axminster Inn B	15	18
Old Inn Hawk A	14	16
Axe Con Club A	14	16
Colcombe B	15	12
WH Warriors	15	12
Tuckers Y	15	10
Old Inn Hawk IV	15	8
The Bottle	15	6
The George	15	4

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Gerrard C	14	22
Axminster Inn A	14	21
Lamb 49s	12	20
Wootton Sherberts	13	19
King Wingers	12	16
Ship Rotary	14	14
Colcombe Nomads	14	14
Seaton BC A	14	12
Bev's Boys	13	8
PJs Social Club	12	8
New Inn Hawks	12	6
Kingfisher A	12	6
Winston Wobb	14	4

Ladies

Division 1; New Inn B 285 (M Gardner 56) B & Js Cloakham 289 (A Newman 56) Gerrard Guzzlers 275 (P Berry 58) Rousdon Ladies 251 (G Gabb 53) Ax Inn A 337 (C Banner, S Boyland 64) Wotnots 301 (B Crispin 57) Cloakham A 313 (J Hounsell 58) Red Lion A 348 (M Miller 64) Colcombe A 350 (A Ogden 70) Perfect Pins 365 (N Gribble 65).

Division 2; Red Lion Rabble 360 (L Warren 72) Tuckers C 355 (S Hembrow 73) Old Inn Kilm 294 (L Beer 56) Colcombe Angels 278 (B Bracey 52) Kings Army 290 (T Reynolds 54) Lamb A 311 (L Kielen 62) Tuckers A 314 (L Gould 58) Colcombe B 309 (S Wilton 68).

Division 3; Seaton FC 322 (T Kenworthy 61) Thorncombe A 301 (W Hawker 60) Cloakham Castaways 332 (R Enticott 73) Ax Inn Allsorts 262 (W Graham 51) Colcombe Girls 328 (A Wien 65) Gerrard A 326 (C Thurston 67).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Axe Inn A	12	20
Rousdon Ladies	12	16
Wotnots	11	16
B&Js	11	14
Red Lion A	12	12
Gerrard Guzzlers	11	10
Seaton BC	11	10
Cloakham A	12	8
Colcombe A	12	8
New Inn B	12	8
Perfect Pins	12	6

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Lamb A	11	16
New Inn A	10	14
Tuckers Arms C	11	14
Kings Army Seaton	11	13
PJs Social Club	10	12
Old Inn Kilm	11	10
Tuckers Arms A	11	9
Red Lion Rabble	11	8
Colcombe B	11	8
Colcombe Angels	11	4

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Thorn Newtops	10	16
Colcombe Girls	11	16
Thorncombe A	10	12
Tuckers Arms B	9	10
WH Wilm A	10	10
Seaton FC	11	10
Cloakham Castaways	11	10
Gerrard A	10	8
Seaton FC Antics	10	6
Axe Inn Allsorts	10	4

HONITON LEAGUE RESULTS; Div 1; Scruffs 423 Tuckers B 427, Vine Reds 358 Blackboro 389, Offwell 385 Drewe Arms 366, Vine B 357 Volunteer 324, Three Tuns B 392 Cricketers 369, Hon Con A 356 Honiton Inn 358.

Div 2; Nog Inn 368 Vine A 387, Tuckers A 345 Misfits 341, Tigers Volunteers 391 Coasters 384, Woodpeckers 335 Raiders 334, Hillbillies 385 Three Tuns A 361.

Div 3; Volliers 296 Blues 299, Village Inn 368 Winos 365, Allsorts 329 Bluebelles 284, PWP 357 Highfield Sports 364, Bluebirds 290 Angels 289.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Cricketers	12	16
Scruffs	12	16
Three Tuns B	12	16
Vine B	12	14
Volunteer	12	14
Drewe Arms	12	12
Offwell	12	12
Hon Con A	12	11
Vine Reds	12	11
Hon Inn	12	10
Tuckers B	12	6
Blackboro	12	4

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Three Tuns A	10	20
Coasters	11	16
Hillbillies	11	15
Woodpeckers	10	13
Tigers Volunteers	11	11
Vine A	11	10
Raiders	10	8
Misfits	11	8
Nog Inn	11	6
Shells Belles	11	6
Tuckers A	11	5

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Tother Lot	11	22
Highfield	11	16
Village Inn	11	16
Allsorts	11	12
Blues	11	12
PWP	10	10
Bluebelles	11	8
Volliers	11	8
Bluebirds	11	6
Winos	11	6
Angels	11	4

COLYTON LEAGUE

The Mike Sansom Nomination Trophy

Winner Graham Hart (Honiton WMC B) 64; Runner-up Tom Patch (Tuckers C) 58; Phil Norman (Honiton Con B) 57, Phil Strawbridge (Tuckers B) 57, Martin Johnson (Gerrard A) 55, Simon Land (Awliscombe Harts) 53, Kevin Coke (Kings Arms A) 52, Andy Hurford (Kingfisher B) 48, Brian Pike (Colcombe A) 43, Andy Rose (Honiton Converts) 41, John beaton (Sidbury Lions) 38, Lewis Jarman (Winstons A) 36, Pual Miller (Cloakham B) 36, Bernie Webber (Ship C) 34, Roger Woolland (Ship B) 00;

Div 1: Gerrard A 308 (T Underdown 58) Vine B 311 (K Gush 58); Honiton Con D 368 (K Vaughn 67) Cloakham B 370 (M Enticott 78); New Inn A 376 (N Jones 75) Colyton Club 338 (P Scotchford 61); Honiton Converts 380 (S Lapping 70) Axe Con A 420 (I Macdonald 104); Lamb A 354 (S Pomeroy 68) Lamb B 318 (D Lucas 70); Hon WMC A 328 (S Pye 59) Red Lion A 356 (C Garner 72); Red Lion Cavaliers 413 (M Summers 82) Colcombe A 420 (B Pike 82);

Div 2: Wheelwright A 317 (P Hammett 75) Cloakham Wanderers 288 (C Coulson 55); Ship C 375 (R Gush 71) Eagle Tavern 322 (C Hutchings 62); Volunteer A 301 (S Thornton 58) Seaton Town AFC A 316 (D Hales, M French 60); Vine A 342 (C Every 62) Gerrard B 358 (S Potter 74); Winstons B 405 (M Pavey 91) Tuckers B 373 (R Seward 71); Sidbury Stones 355 (M Hill 73) Mountbatten Whites 348 (T Revell 65);

Div 3: Sidbury Lions 348 (N Barrett 68) Beer A 308 (D Copp 64); Colcombe B 415 (M Bleakin, V Wood 80) Sidbury village inn 391 (N Peters 76); Cloakham C 311 (B Ostler 58) Beer Vikings 377 (K Llewylen 75); Beer Albion 342 (S Carlin 65) Colcombe Beerboys 323 (G Westlake 61); Three Tuns Hammers 361 (A Doble 67) Offwell A 376 (D Spragg 71); Awliscombe Harts 370 (P Richards 71) White Hart B 421 (G Stephens 86);

Div 4: Seaton AFC B 336 (D Park 60) New Inn B 356 (D Hodder 77); Rising Sun A 376 (A Baldwin 79) Rising Sun B 359 (M Clode 70);Tuckers C 345 (D Burrough 65) Kingfisher A 373 (A Bishop 68); Axe Inn A 340 (M Lewis 64) Honiton Con BTP 376 (M Woollacott 77); Honiton Con A 333 (F Crabb 65) Tuckers Arms A 358 (S Thomas 68);

Div 5: Kingfisher B 272 (B Dowel 55) Heathfield B 271 (Eileen Glaeser 53); Seaton Bowling 298 (Lilian Hurley-Smith 53) Old Inn Kings 289 (S Fuller, D McCullum 54); Offwell B 384 (A Olive 75) Winstons A 372 (B Parker 73); White Hart A 341 (H Parr 65) Ship B 337 (S Leach 60); Beer C 289 (Abi Gribble 57) Honiton WMC B 299 (W Morgan 64); P J'S 350 (A Smith 69) Honiton Con B 332 (A Morris 60);

Division One	Pld	Pts
Cloakham B	15	24
Gerrard A	15	24
New Inn A	15	22
Axe Con A	15	21
Vine B	15	20
Red Lion Cavs	15	15
Honiton Con D	15	12
Honiton Conv	15	12
Lamb A	15	12
Lamb B	15	12
Hon WMC A	15	10
Colcombe A	15	9
Colyton Club A	15	9
Red Lion A	15	8

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Sidbury SC Stones	13	22
Ship C	14	20
Tuckers Arms B	14	18
Seaton AFC A	14	16
Vine A	14	16
Eagle Tavern	14	14
Volunteer A	14	14
Beer sc B	12	12
Cloakham Wand	13	12
Winstons B	14	12
Gerrard B	13	8
Wheelwright A	13	6
Mounbatten Whites	14	6

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Colcombe Beerboys	13	24
Beer Vikings	14	18
Offwell A	14	16
Beer sc A	14	15
Colcombe B	14	15
Three Tuns Hammers	14	14
Volunteer B	13	13
Beer Albion	14	13
Sidbury SC A	14	12
Cloakham C	13	10
White Hart B	13	10
Awliscombe Harts	14	9
Sidbury Lions	14	8

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Honiton Con BTP	13	20
New Inn B	13	18
Tuckers Arms A	12	16
Kingfisher A	13	16
Rising Sun A	13	13
Honiton Con A	12	12
Seaton AFC B	13	12
Honiton Con Art	12	10
Tuckers Arms C	12	9
Rising Sun B	12	8
Axe Inn A	13	8
Kings Arms A	12	4

Division Five	Pld	Pts
Honiton Con B	14	24
Winstons A	14	20
Hon WMC B	14	20
Heathfield A	13	18
Seaton Bowling	14	17
White Hart A	14	15
Kingfisher B	14	14
Ship B Shipmunks	12	14
Offwell Rejects	12	12
Old Inn Kings	13	8
Heathfield B	14	6
PJs B	14	6
Beer sc C	14	2

EAST DEVON HUNT LEAGUE

Division One	Pld	Pts
Culm Vale	14	20
Blacksmiths	13	18
Marvels	13	16
Night Owls	13	16
Sidford	12	14
Foxenhole	13	14
Upottery	13	13
Ur Arrs	12	12
Auctioneers	13	12
Zulu Warriors	13	11
Breakaways	14	10
Marsh Green	13	9
Sutton Wand	13	9
Stags	13	8

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Talaton	13	22
A Team	11	16
Honiton Clyst	11	14
Latecomers	12	14
Tuckers Arms	11	12
Cocks & Hens	9	10
Perkins Village	9	10
Jack's Lads	11	10
Broadclyst	12	10
Yoyo's	10	8
Keepers	11	6
Blackdown Boys	8	4
Top Cats	12	4

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Awlisc' Shoot	10	18
Axe Valley	12	18
Maynards	11	16
Guys & Gals	11	14
Brooksiders	11	14
Alley Cats	12	12
Goldtops	10	10
Tale Nibs	9	8
New Inn	11	8
Yetties	11	8
Cee Dee's	13	8
Bashers	10	6
Bakers 8	9	2

Top Scorers; James Perryman 91, Jack Grandfield (Culm Vale) 87, Andy Carter (Honiton Clyst) 86, Malcolm Coombes (Culm Vale) 84, Ed East (Latecomers) 80.

youth rugby honiton

Titans show their class

Honiton Titans U10s - Withycombe - Sidmouth

DUE to late arrangements of this three-way fixture the Titans had little time to prepare for these games none the less performed well and looked like the best team of the cluster.

After their amazing unbeaten run in December the Titans continued their impressive strides forward with another pair of magnificent displays.

First up were hosts Withycombe and a fine first half display saw the titans camp within the opposition's half, running in at the break 20–0 ahead.

The second half was a different story and Withycombe attempted a fight back, but the Titans went up a gear and proved and ran out as comfortable 40–15 winners.

Next came Sidmouth - a team who have built a solid reputation around the area and who walked away as a superior outfit when the two teams met back in October.

But this time Honiton exploded out of the blocks and put Sidmouth on the back foot. They did cross over for a try that was unfortunately disallowed. This saw the team momentarily lose concentration and Sidmouth capitalised to take the lead midway through the first half.

After the break the tempo intensified. It was at this stage Honiton took control of the game and they equalised with a bustling try following a maul and were unfortunate not to record a win after a magnificent performance.

Captain of the day and playmaking inspiration was Jonny Glover with Alfie Madge awarded the player of the day!

Coach Simon Lancaster said: "The consistency of this team impressive – with all players holding their own and performing to their maximum.

The game against Sidmouth was special, it was a clear message that Honiton U10s are a force to be reckoned with."

golf axe cliff and honiton

Su lands Mixed Golfer of the Year award

AXE CLIFF
with Helen Kenworthy
Seniors Report

IN the January Medal for the Axe Cliff Seniors there were some very good scores.

The weather was perfect, the course was wet after overnight rain but playing well for those who were hitting straight and the overall scores reflected these conditions.

Unluckily for Gerry Turner, playing off 12, his magnificent net 68 only gained him 3rd position as Nick Povey (19), who is playing very well at the moment, pipped him with a net 66.

But even he was outdone by the reliable Peter Knighting (16) who also scored 66 and won on the countback ruling.

The ever present duo of Tony Strong and Alan Vincent had to be content this time with the reward of the only twos of the day.

For the rest of us it is back to the practice ground to try and eliminate those high scoring holes which seem to bug our game when it comes to medal competitions.

The Men's Section played Winter League on the 11th format stableford Texas Scramble 20 per cent of combined handicap; 1st Craig Trivett & Alex Todd 46pts, 2nd father and son partnership Simon and Alex Palmer 43pts 3rd Pete Northcott & Jimmy Matthews 42pts there were three twos - Andrew & Anthony Hellier, Craig Trivett & Alex Todd and Chris Glover & Alan Kenworthy.

The Ladies Section played Winter League round three on January 14th - format stableford; 1st Margaret Kenchington, 2nd Bee Sammons and 3rd (on back nine) Janet Dack.

HONITON *with Andy Wagner*

AGAIN it was all about the weather but luckily the course was open, if a little frosty, and a full field turned out for the first Stableford of the New Year - it was definitely a chance to clear the head and start to shed those Christmas pounds.

The higher handicaps in division two seemed to enjoy the course set up most with Tim Morris sneaking first place ahead on count back of namesake Andy Morris, both with 41pts. Andy Wall was third with an impressive 38pts.

Division One winner was Alan Devenny with 39pts, Julian Bacon took second with 35 and Ian Drew was third with 32.

◆ WELL DONE: Su Calver and Bob Barnes

Tuesday Mixed

SIXTEEN hardy Members set out to play a Greensome Stableford competition with four clubs and a putter. However, the rough weather rolled in so the competition was reduced to 10 holes.

Obviously on very good form, the winners with an excellent score over the 10 holes of 28pts, were Stephanie Barnes playing with Allan Seager. In second place with 23pts on c/b were Jane Watts and David Hughes.

After the results were announced Jennifer and Richard Pyle then presented the Tuesday Mixed Golfer of the Year Trophy to Su Calver with runner up Bob Barnes.

youth football

Looking good

SEATON under 9s returned to action after the Christmas break and were straight back into the groove with two great results.

First up they beat CITY RAIDERS 5-1. Aaron Hale cracked in a superb hat-trick with some clinical finishing and was a thorn in the opponents side all game.

Henry Matthews clipped in a well taken goal and Max Nevell completed the scoring sweeping in with his weaker foot, after some slick team play.

Leo Gribble and Billy Fowler were excellent in defence. George Gait pulled the strings in midfield, putting in a Man of the Match performance.

Next up were WHIPTON and this was a much closer affair, finishing 0-0.

Keeper Adam Clinch was the hero saving a penalty with a full length dive to tip the well struck shot around the post.

The game was an end to end thriller but neither team could find a way through.

Harvey Green and Daniel Byrne caught the eye with some tough tackling and good use of the ball.

darts news

Axminster League

Team	Pld	Pts
Red Lion A	7	30
Tons of Bull	5	22
Vault A	4	17
Vault B	4	17
Con Club	5	17
Double P	4	12
Vault C	5	12
Ax Inn	5	9
Red Necks	4	7
Lamb Shanks	3	3
Red Bulls	4	3

Singles	Pld	Pts
Red Lion A	7	21
Tons of Bull	5	13
Vault C	5	11
Vault A	4	10
Ax Inn	5	10
Vault B	4	9
Con Club	5	9
Lamb Shanks	3	5
Red Necks	4	5
Double P	4	4
Red Bulls	4	3

◆ **Captains**; Please ensure all result cards are returned to The Axminster Inn (some results are still outstanding).

Colyton & District

Week 10: Golden Hind 1(4) Kingfisher A 4(2); Seaton FC B 2(3) Seaton FC A 3(3); Kingfisher B 2(2) PJs 3(4); Dolphin 2(4) Vault 3(2).
Week 11: Vault 5(3) Kingfisher B 0(3); Seaton FC A 5(5) Golden Hind 0(1); Kingfisher A 3(4) Beer Club 2(2).
180s: Keith Smith (Golden Hind).

1001/pairs	Pld	Pts
Seaton FC A	10	39
Vault	10	29
PJs	9	29
Seaton FC B	9	26
Kingfisher A	10	25
Dolphin	9	21
Beer Club	9	20
Kingfisher B	10	14
Golden Hind	10	12

Singles	Pld	Pts
Seaton FC A	10	45
Seaton FC B	9	32
Kingfisher A	10	32
Vault	10	30
Kingfisher B	10	28
PJs	9	27
Dolphin	9	25
Golden Hind	10	22
Beer Club	9	17

Seaton & District

Table	P	301	501	601	Pts
PJs	9	84	44	28	156
King's B	9	78	44	25	147
Football	9	58	38	22	118
Malt Hse	9	59	27	19	105
King's A	9	61	22	14	97
Vault	9	53	23	20	96

Lyme Regis & District

Current table	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	9	18
Nags Head A	9	17
Rockpoint	9	14
Janners	9	10
Nags Z	8	9
Royal Standard	7	8
Hunters Lodge	9	7
Talbot Arms	9	7
Four Play	9	6
Cobb Arms	9	4
George	9	4
Half an Octopus	8	0

180s: Mark Barnett x4, R.Cross, Wayne Doble and Terry Prowse all x2, Five players x1.

running honiton rc & axe valley runners

New course record for jet-heeled James!

HONITON RC *with Judy Davy*

AXE Valley Runners' Axmouth Challenge was well represented by Honiton Running Club members last Sunday.

This multi-terrain race is 9½ miles of muddy fields and tracks as well as a fair amount of road and several hills.

The race was won by AVR's James Green in 58 minutes 9 seconds and first back for Honiton was Hadleigh Davies who came 14th in 1:12:20. Young Findlay Fuller was next back coming 19th in 1:14:39.

Steve Davey had a great race coming 21st in 1:15:15 ahead of his rival Rod Inglis who finished three places back in 1:15:56. Mark Dallyn was the first back of a group of Honiton runners. Mark was 32nd in 1:17:45 directly followed by Bruce Strawbridge albeit 1 min 7 seconds later.

Tom Bornet followed 2 places and 5 seconds later and the sole Honiton lady, Judy Davey, finished one place and 10 seconds behind him.

A Honiton gap followed but Howard Bidmead finished next in 41st place and 1:21:18. David Hawker and Richard Terry were making their debut race for the club and ran together to finish 49th in 1:24:52.

Jim Hill brought the Honiton contingency home to finish 76th in 1:34:55. There were 96 runners.

Iain Ross took part in the five-mile mini challenge coming 5th in 40:02. The race was won by AVR Jake Smith and there were 21 runners.

Bright sunshine and close to zero temperatures greeted the 11 HRC members who were looking for a flat 10K to start the year.

The race hosted by South West Road Runners is the first of the InStep Devon race series for 2015 and competitors earn points if they run five of these races.

Over 500 runners finished with James Rodgers from North Somerset first male home and Serane Stone from Tiverton Harriers the first female.

Kevin Hawker was pleased to finish 10th overall in a time of 36:05. Steve Selley was the next Honiton runner in a time of 42:39 and was 61st overall and second in his category.

The next Honiton runner was Julie Payne in 45:19 in 93rd place which meant she was the first in her category. She was followed by Roger Saunders in 47:49 in 133rd place who managed 3rd in his category.

Michala Hudd came next at 176th place in a time of 49:53 and Jennie Sleeman came in at 207th place in a time of 51:11. Tony Peek finished in 224th place in a time of 54:06. Next came Sharon Wells in a time of 53:53 in 255th place.

Jo Davey was on good form at 1:00:57 in 383rd place. Wendy Williams ran with Dawn Peek who was a beginner runner and this was her first race, they finished in 407/8 places with a time of 1:02:35.

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS
with Dave Mutter

The AXMOUTH CHALLENGE was run on Sunday in near perfect conditions with an azure sky and just the right amount of winter chill to keep runners cool.

In the main 10 mile event AVR had the first three positions with James Green winning in a new course record by nearly two minutes of 58:09; Matt Clist who had a few tumbles was 2nd, 58:51 and James Trewick 3rd, 1:05:45.

Luke Reed was not far off the pace finishing 7th, 1:07:21 with Ian Apps 9th, 1:09:11; Rupert Pady 17th, 1:14:27; Joshua Hopson 18th, 1:14:34 and Tony Smith 23rd, 1:15:46.

◆ HONITON RC members pictured at the start of the Axmouth Challenge

Eleanor Wood was the first lady home, 25th overall in 1:16:07 and James Sibley 31st, 1:17:42. Clare Hansford ran superbly to finish 34th, 1:18:55 just ahead of Kirsty Bate who had a great race to finish, 39th, 1:20:08.

Carol Austin ran well to be 45th, 1:23:23. Steve Maclure was 46th, 1:23:24; John Greenhalgh 47th, 1:23:55; Robin Britton 52nd, 1:26:19 and Richard Dodge 53rd, 1:26:23. Keith Agland and Alan Morbey ran most of the way together, then Keith spied Roger Bramley slowing ahead and put a spurt on to be 54th, 1:26:35; with Roger 55th, 1:26:40 and Alan 56th, 1:26:46.

Anna Mcloughlin was 62nd, 1:27:59; Holly Edwards in her first AVR outing 66th, 1:29:02; Chris Hill 68th, 1:30:30; Mark Harding-Perrott 71st 1:33:18; Samantha Miller 74th, 1:33:57 and Andy Sayers 77th, 1:35:57.

Yvette Hill and Gillian Peach bounced over the line holding hands to finish joint 79th, 1:37:26. Angela Kerr was 85th, 01:40:31 and Martin Kerr 93rd, 01:53:43.

AVR had a great result in the five mile Mini Challenge with 15-year-old Jake Smith winning in 33:17, Ollie Caute, also 15, 2nd, in 36:41 and non-AVR adult Simon Durrant 3rd, 37:01.

Other AVR's were William Watson 7th, 48:57; Adam Burrough 8th, 49:47; Henry Smith 11th, 56:27 and Jane Calvert 15th, 1:00:52.

There was also a Junior Challenge run – (runners ages in brackets) that was won by AVR Oliver Rodger (13) in 8:43, with Matt Thurgood (13) 2nd, 9:00 and Phoebe Clark (11) of Cyclelife Triathlon Team 3rd, 9:45.

Louis Whittane (9) was 6th, 10:07 and AVR wannabee Darcie Morton (9) 10th 10:35. Harvey Green (9) was 14th 11:09, Caitlin Tooze (9) 16th, 11:33; Poppy Tooze (11) 17th, 11:44; Daisy Greenhalgh (5) 31st, 19:08 and Tom Greenhalgh (3) who ran with mum Amy 32nd, 23:06.

The object of the exercise was to raise much needed funds for the Axmouth Village Hall whose helpers put on a great food and drink for the hungry runners.

Thanks to all the marshals and helpers, with special thanks to Dave Thomas, Kay D'Albertanson and Sandra Porter for back marking and timekeeping.

◆ AXE Valley Runners pictured at the start of the Axmouth Challenge

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Plucky Lacemen run league leaders close

Honiton 7 Saltash 19

Tribute Cornwall/Devon Division

HONITON Rugby Club 1st XV welcomed table topping Saltash on Saturday and with very tricky underfoot conditions it was always going to be a slog in the mud *writes Roger Dance*.

Playing in their change strip, Honiton elected to play up the park in the first half and started well enjoying the lion's share of possession for the first 15 minutes.

They had a couple of chances at goal both of which unfortunately drifted just wide.

However, whilst attacking on the halfway line a loose pass was intercepted by the visitors' centre who cantered to the line unopposed for a converted try against the run of play.

Honiton plugged away and the fears of the 50-point hammering suffered in reverse fixture were allayed. Saltash did look good though and the Lacemen had to dig deep to keep them at bay.

Unfortunately, with all the hard work done against the slope, and right on the half time whistle, concentration waned and the Ashers pounced to score again extend their lead to 14-0 at the break.

With the slope now in their favour and a buoyed by a rousing half time team talk, Honiton were by no means dead and buried and took the game to the league leaders.

But Saltash are not in spot for nothing and, having weathered Honiton's initial response, a patient build-up saw Honiton run out of defenders and they dotted down again out wide.

As the game went on the mud sapped the energy but Honiton seemed to get improve and with a dominant scrum they battered the visitors defence.

Saltash had a player red carded for a tip tackle which meant they were down to 14 and Honiton clearly had the upper hand for the rest of the game.

Jason Hannay crossed for what everyone thought was a score but the ref was unsighted so it was disallowed.

Unperturbed, Honiton still took the fight to the Cornishmen and were finally rewarded from another frantic passage of play on the visitors line and it was Robert Price who crashed over near the posts for Webber to add the extras.

Honiton came back again but unfortunately the visitors defence stood strong and they ran out of time going down by a respectable 7-19 to a side destined for promotion.

Honiton denied the league leaders their usual bonus point which was a superb effort in difficult conditions.

Saltash would consider them selves lucky and, with Honiton missing three kickable goal attempts and gifting them an interception try, the game could easily have gone Honiton's way.

To be fair kicking conditions were far from ideal and the mud stopped the visitors running around but never the less this was a marked improvement for Honiton.

They now have a week off to prepare for a must-win game away at South Moulton.

Current table	Pld	+/-	Pts
Saltash	17	491	79
Crediton	17	345	78
Withycombe	17	435	72
Pirates Amateurs	16	286	59
Paignton	17	190	51
Falmouth	17	30	42
Bude	16	-74	39
Hayle	17	-130	34
HONITON	17	-81	33
Exeter Saracens	17	-235	33
Bodmin	16	-11	28
Old Plym & Mann'	17	-219	27
South Molton	17	-438	4
Liskeard-Looe	16	-589	0

◆ **MUDLARKS:** Match action from Honiton's (white shirts) 19-7 defeat against Saltash on Saturday

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